

[redacted]

Informant stated he would advise the NYO of the identity of this individual and attempt to learn if he is still active in transporting untaxed cigarettes.

MURDER OF RICHARD LO CICERO  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 8/11/67, informant advised concerning the murder of RICHARD LO CICERO approximately 6 months previously that he had heard a Negro "fairy" is supposed to be responsible for this murder. Informant said he heard this Negro was employed [redacted] Brooklyn, NY, and on the night of LOCICERO's murder, LO CICERO had asked this individual to drive him home. When this individual refused, LO CICERO threatened him and he finally acceded to LO CICERO's demands. Informant said apparently after arriving in the area where LO CICERO was killed, he had become involved in a violent argument with this Negro and was murdered by him.

Informant said that RICHARD LOCICERO and in fact the whole LO CICERO family are very poorly regarded and were never "close". He stated that they were constantly fighting among themselves and it is the informant's personal unsupported belief RICHARD LO CICERO was killed [redacted] because they suspected that LO CICERO was giving information to the Brooklyn DA's Office concerning his involvement in the theft of securities from the brokerage firm of Paine, Weber, Jackson and Curtis.

CARMINE PERSICO  
AR  
NY 92-2895

On 8/8/67, informant stated approximately 1½ weeks previously he had met with CARMINE PERSICO at Joe's Bar, 4th Street and President Street, Brooklyn, NY, which informant described as being next door to the bar in which FRANKIE "SHOTS" ABBATEMARCO was murdered. Informant said at that time PERSICO was in company with HUGH MC INTOSH, JERRY LANGELO and another individual, who is a constant associate of PERSICO's and whom he described as being a tall person. Informant said although this meeting took place in the early afternoon, PERSICO, et al, appeared to have been up all night and appeared to have muddy shoes. Informant guessed that they had apparently been involved in a theft or other illegal activity during the night. Informant

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[REDACTED]

said at the present time PERSICO is also operating a large numbers operation in Brooklyn, NY, and in this connection has been utilizing JIMMY SCIANA. Informant advised that PERSICO apparently uses this bar as a contact point with his numbers runners.

On 8/11/67, informant stated he is aware that PERSICO is the subject of a TFIS matter which had come to court a number of times, but which case the Government has been unable to successfully prosecute. Informant said he is also aware that

[REDACTED]

in this TFIS case.

Informant continued that another individual who is involved in this case with PERSICO is RALPH SPIRO, who is presently serving a 10 year sentence at Wallkill Prison on another charge. Informant said that he had recently received a message from SPIRO, which he was to transport to PERSICO, to the effect that RALPH had not seen his brother, "SHORTY", for one year; was anxious for him to visit him; that RALPH had received no money, and that RALPH was concerned about his family. Informant said he had not relayed this message to PERSICO and is aware that SPIRO also comes up for a parole hearing in October, 1968. Informant also advised that RALPH's brother, "SHORTY" SPIRO, is presently picking up numbers for PERSICO.

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Informant said he feels confident that RALPH SPIRO is weak; has lost any loyalty he may have had to PERSICO because of the above-mentioned facts, and is confident that if a discreet and aggressive approach is made to SPIRO, he would "crack". Informant continued that if any assurances could be made to SPIRO concerning the safety of his family, he felt that SPIRO might even testify as a Government witness in the TFIS matter concerning PERSICO.

Informant said that he had also learned recently that SALLY D'AMBROSIO, who was in Greenhaven Prison, had recently been transferred to Wallkill and has probably "been keeping any eye on SPIRO".

In view of the foregoing, the NYO anticipates opening a PC target case on SPIRO.

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NY 92-2599

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On 8/11/67, informant advised he is familiar with [redacted] as a "made guy" in LCN, but was not certain of his "family" affiliation although he was able to state he is not a member of the COLOMBO "family". Informant stated he last heard that [redacted] [redacted] Brooklyn, NY.

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NY 92-4471

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Informant advised on 8/11/67, that [redacted] in the past had been an LCN member, was busted for unknown reasons, but was later brought back into LCN through JOSEPH COLOMBO. Informant said [redacted] is now considered a member in good standing in the COLOMBO "family".

Informant said he had last heard that [redacted] [redacted] Brooklyn, NY, which [redacted] but which was in reality a front for swag. Informant said [redacted] has a partner in this venture known only to him as [redacted] (PH), who is not an LCN member.

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NY 92-2681

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On 8/11/67, informant advised he was aware that [redacted] is a member of the COLOMBO "family" of LCN and [redacted] [redacted] area of NYC. Informant stated he had also heard that during the past 6 months [redacted] in NYC, which JOE COLOMBO had [redacted]

Informant said [redacted] who is also a member of the COLOMBO "family".

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[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-3196

On 8/11/67, informant advised at the present time

[redacted]  
[redacted] is presently operating a crap game in NYC and that [redacted] (NY 92-2724) supposedly has a piece of this game and attends it on a nightly basis. Informant said that it would be a simple matter to surveil [redacted] is presently driving [redacted] It is to be noted informant is himself not a gambler and would therefore be "out of character" in asking the specific location of this game.

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BROOKLYN ILA  
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NY 92-

On 8/8/67, informant advised he is familiar with the following individuals, who are members of the Brooklyn ILA and who are also members of LCN. Informant said that MIKE SAVINO is a member of the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family", being related through marriage to COLOMBO, and the others are associated with the CARLO GAMBINO "family".

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[redacted]  
MICHAEL SAVINO  
ANTHONY ANASTASIA

NY 92-1140  
NY 92-3880  
NY 92-3408  
NY 92-3879

Informant said ANTHONY ANASTASIA is highly regarded not only because of the fact he is related to the late ALBERT ANASTASIA, but because he appears to be a very shrewd individual, who has made many friends because of his position with the ILA.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 8/11/67, informant advised that he had learned that at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 8/8/67, COLOMBO had "left town" and was not expected to return until 8/14 - 15/67. Informant stated he would attempt to determine where and why COLOMBO went.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/24/67

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT:

CONF. INFT.

TECIP

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Re Bureau letter, 9/5/67.

For information furnished by the informant during the period 9/5/67 through 10/16/67, informant has been paid [redacted]. It is anticipated informant will be paid a like sum for information furnished from 10/16/67, to the present.

Informant advised that he continues to be indebted to JOSEPH COLOMBO and CARLO GAMBINO in the amount of \$25,000 for which he has been paying 1 point or a weekly "vig" of \$250.00. Informant said consequently he has been unable to "get ahead" and payoff any of his principal. Informant said, however, that recently subsequent to the triple homicide of the D'ANGELOS and TELLERI, informant had gone to COLOMBO at which time he offered his assistance. COLOMBO advised that "we", signifying himself and GAMBINO, believe these murders to be the work of [redacted]

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[redacted] and advised informant to "stand by". Informant observed that during the last year COLOMBO and GAMBINO had a number of discussions with SMITTY D'ANGELO and were attempting to resolve the BONANNO "family" difficulties by having D'ANGELO named "boss" of that "family". Informant continued that COLOMBO appeared pleased with his offer of "assistance" and acknowledged his gratitude by advising informant that he need not pay the "vig" on his loan, but requested that he instead pay at least \$500.00 per week to eliminate the principal in the shortest possible time.

Informant is extremely worried over all personal contacts, still being quite concerned over his possible exposure. In this regard great precautions are exercised and informant is usually [redacted]

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EX 104

CLEMENTE-505

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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[redacted]

Informant appears to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

The following is a summary of information furnished since regular payments to informant have been reinstituted:

[redacted]  
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NY 92-3154

On 8/31/67, informant advised that he had heard in the last day or two [redacted] whom he described as [redacted] with PETIE PUMPS FERRARA and who formerly [redacted] in downtown NYC which had gone bankrupt once in company with JOE BREWSTER, SR. (TNU) [redacted], possibly [redacted] (true names unknown), who are known to the Telephone Company, were all in the Philadelphia area stealing money from pay telephones. Informant said that they reputedly have a complete set of picks, which they were using to open the coin boxes and would probably remain there for one or two weeks. Informant related he had heard that one of the above may have been arrested in Philadelphia while on this "spree".

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CARMINE PERSICO  
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NY 92-2895

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On 9/8/67, informant advised that he had heard recently that PERSICO's numbers bank [redacted] name unknown, who resides on Staten Island and that [redacted]

FRANK RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

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On 9/8/67, informant advised that DICK FUSCO operates horses and numbers on a large scale in Brooklyn, NY, and has never been "busted" inasmuch as he makes payoffs to numerous police officers in Brooklyn. Informant said the bank for FUSCO's operation is handled by his son, SALVATORE FUSCO aka Sally Buzzo, from his home which is located on 82nd Street in Brooklyn between 11th and 12th Avenues.

[redacted]

Informant continued that he had recently heard that SALLY BUZZO had in his garage the proceeds of a rare coin theft, which took place approximately 4 months ago at JFK Airport, and that these coins included ancient Roman coins in a "one of a kind" variety and that they were attempting to sell them for \$30,000. Informant said, however, that they had experienced difficulty and doubts whether they have been fenced because of the fact of their uniqueness and a dealer probably could not sell them on the market.

[redacted]  
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NY 92-2557

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Informant advised on 9/8/67, that [redacted] who is a "made guy" in LCN, has been handling untaxed cigarettes and [redacted] at present and [redacted] is now handling his "action". Informant said [redacted] whose name he could not recall. [redacted] is handling his untaxed cigarettes from this location.

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-3596

On 9/8/67, informant advised he had recently heard that [redacted] sentence had recently been reduced [redacted] Informant stated he had heard that a judge had been "reached" for this favor [redacted] who informant stated is an attorney with "good connections".

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SALVATORE MUSACCHIO  
AR  
NY 92-3208

Informant advised on 8/31/67, that he is familiar with MUSACCHIO, who is a "button guy" in the COLOMBO "family," and stated that MUSACCHIO was a "brokster" who never had a dollar to his name and who lives from "hand to mouth". Informant said that of late MUSACCHIO had been working as a hustler for dice and poker games in Brooklyn and is considered to be a "hard luck guy".

[REDACTED]

Informant said in the past MUSACCHIO had been under "caporegima" JOHN "SONNY" FRANZESE, but that of late FRANZESE has been "laying dead" (very inactive) and MUSACCHIO instead has been "reporting" to MIMI SCIALO, who is "acting captain" in FRANZESE's place.

UNSUBS (5):

[REDACTED] ET AL;

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[REDACTED] - FUGITIVE

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ARMED THEFT OF TWO PACKAGES OF  
AMERICAN EXPRESS TRAVELERS CHECKS,  
PIER 62, US LINES, 4/13/67,

VALUE \$620,000

ITSP; TFIS

(OO: NEW YORK)

NY 15-44133

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On 9/11/67, informant advised he had recently heard that an individual named [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] supposedly had as of two weeks previously in his physical possession at least \$50,000 worth of the stolen American Express checks and was attempting to sell them for 13¢ on the dollar. Informant said that in addition [REDACTED] had sold a considerable quantity of these travelers checks to CARMINE PERSICO, but that because of all the heat, PERSICO was not attempting to spread them around but instead intends to wait until the heat is off.

Informant said [REDACTED] is very close to HICKEY DE LORENZO, who uses Ponte's Steak House, which is upstairs from the Faja Lounge, as a place to hold meetings with his "crew". Informant explained that DE LORENZO has definitely been "made" a "captain" in the VITO GENOVESE "family".

Informant said in addition he had learned that [REDACTED] was in possession of some extremely valuable porcelain, which had been stolen in a stickup in Manhattan approximately a year ago. [REDACTED] reputedly had a "snuff box", which itself was reputed to be worth \$25,000.

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It is noted that [REDACTED] mentioned by informant is undoubtedly [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] one of the subjects in instant case who was arrested by the Miami Division.



[redacted]

Based on [redacted] relationship with [redacted] was contacted [redacted] in an attempt to interview him, however, [redacted] refused to speak to Agents on advice of counsel.

[redacted]

AR  
NY 92-3579

On 9/11/67, informant advised that on that date [redacted] left for Las Vegas to perpetrate a "gimmick" which is being widely used wherein an individual borrows gambling money from a casino, but instead of spending the money at the tables merely absconds with the money. Informant said [redacted] is not a "made guy", [redacted] is an LCN member, believed by informant to be in the GAMBINO "family".

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It is to be noted by airtel dated 9/15/67, the Las Vegas Office advised that [redacted] and others had, in fact, been arrested by the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Las Vegas, in connection with a scamming operation.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 9/14/67, informant advised that there was a possibility COLOMBO and other ranking LCN members might meet at the Queens Terrace Restaurant during the early evening hours of 9/15/67. It is to be noted, however, that SAS of the NYO conducted a discreet observation at that location from 5:00 - 9:30 p.m., but no unusual activity was noted.

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[redacted]

AR  
NY 92-3833

On 9/14/67, informant advised he is familiar with captioned individual as an LCN member in the COLOMBO "family", who is employed [redacted] Informant said he believes this individual is assigned to the regime of ANDOLINO SIMONE, but that he has been very "quiet" and inactive and informant doubts that he is engaged in any criminal activities.

[REDACTED]

SALVATORE BADALAMENTE  
AR  
NY 92-2278

On 9/14/67, informant advised he is familiar with BADALAMENTE, who had formerly been a "caporegima" under JOSEPH PROFACI and JOSEPH MAGLIOCCO. Informant said, however, that when JOE COLOMBO took over the "family", he busted BADALAMENTE to a "soldier" and informant believes that BADALAMENTE is now assigned to the regime of SALLY THE SHIEK. Informant said he understands BADALAMENTE still owns Fine Grade Fuel Oil Company, but that it had moved from its former location. Informant said BADALAMENTE is extremely inactive and is probably considered to be a "retired" member.

[REDACTED]  
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NY 92-2729

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Informant advised on 9/14/67, that he is familiar with [REDACTED] whom he knows to be a member of the COLOMBO "family" in the regime of DICK FUSCO. Informant said that [REDACTED] "can never seem to do anything right" and COLOMBO has always been annoyed with him. Informant said [REDACTED] is not regarded very highly in the COLOMBO "family".

GONDOLFO SCIANDRA  
AR  
NY 92-2922

Informant advised on 9/14/67, that he had recently met with BUDDY SCIANDRA, who was released from prison during the past year. Informant said at that time SCIANDRA was in company with BOOZIE DE CICCIO and SCIANDRA indicated to informant he intended to interest himself in the transportation of untaxed cigarettes into NY.

[REDACTED]  
INFO CONCERNING

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On 9/20/67, the NYCPD advised that information furnished by the FBI concerning [REDACTED] MICHAEL TRICARDO in Brooklyn during 1967 was used in the following manner:

[REDACTED] was identified and the best available witness, a female, confronted him at which time she related that although

[redacted] bore the same physical characteristics as the murderer, she was unable to positively identify [redacted] as TRICARDO's assailant.

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JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 9/20/67, informant advised that he had heard JOE COLOMBO's oldest son, ANTHONY, will be married at the Queens Terrace Restaurant, 69th Street and Roosevelt Avenue, Queens, NY, on 12/9/67, and it is expected there will be a large turn-out of LCN people in attendance. Informant said that he had heard that JOE COLOMBO owned a piece of the Queens Terrace and that COLOMBO has been taking great pains and precautions to screen the waiters and other employees at the restaurant to make sure no information concerning the affair is "leaked". Informant said he had also learned that there will be no other affair in progress that night and that the entire premises will be used exclusively for ANTHONY's wedding party.

RICHARD LO CICERO, ET AL  
Theft of Securities from  
Paine, Weber, Jackson and  
Curtis, NYC, \$380,000  
ITSP  
NY 87-

On 10/6/67, informant telephonically advised that CHARLES LO CICERO, the youngest son of CHARLIE THE SIDGE LO CICERO, had approached informant with an offer to purchase the remaining securities which were obtained by his brother in captioned theft.

Informant was advised to pursue this matter further with LO CICERO.

On 10/11/67, informant telephonically advised that he had again contacted CHARLES LO CICERO aka "Ditty" at which time "DITTY" assured informant that he personally had possession of between \$190,000 and \$195,000 worth of securities, which included negotiable bonds from captioned theft and would be willing to sell same for 15% of their face value.

[redacted] Informant advised that he believes [redacted]  
[redacted] previously mentioned by him, might be interested in  
above securities.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

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On 10/16/67, informant advised during a recent "captain" meeting of the COLOMBO "family", JOE COLOMBO had strongly emphasized the following "policy" decisions which he stated would be strongly enforced and would have to be strictly adhered to by all members of the COLOMBO "family".

1- All "soldiers" must clear their major illegal activities and obtain permission before becoming involved from their "captain".

2- If any member of the COLOMBO "family" is interviewed by the FBI, they must immediately ask if agents have a warrant for their arrest and if no warrant was issued, they should discontinue the interview and advise Agents to contact their attorney.

Informant stated there would be no exception to this rule and that no one has to participate in any other interview or conversation with an FBI agent. Informant said COLOMBO advised no excuses would be accepted.

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

TRANSPORTATION OF UNTAXED  
CIGARETTES INTO NYC  
NY 62-13662

Informant advised on 10/16/67, that of late FUSCO's regime had become deeply involved in untaxed cigarettes and informant recently learned that this operation is presently being handled at a Mobile gas station, 65th Street and Ft. Hamilton Parkway, Brooklyn, NY, and that on a nightly basis auto loads of cigarettes are being brought to this station for subsequent distribution.

The above information was furnished to the NYCPD and they subsequently advised that based on FBI information, they had arrested 3 persons at above gas station and had seized 1500 cartons of untaxed cigarettes having a value of \$6000.

[REDACTED]

UNSUBS; Theft of 2  
Packages American  
Express Money Orders,  
Etc.  
TFIS  
NY 15-45923

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On 9/29/67, informant advised that on the previous date he had learned that [REDACTED] (PH) had admitted to a friend of informant's that he and AL CAPONE (TNU) had participated in a pier holdup of American Express money orders. [REDACTED] also admitted that he had also been involved in the theft of a recent load of razors, not further identified. [REDACTED] stated that he had heard that the police are presently seeking his location, but that he cannot understand why, since they have no evidence implicating him in these cases.

At the present time the NYO is attempting to identify [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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NY 92-2925

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On 9/25/67, informant advised he is aware that [REDACTED] has Staten Island all "sewn up" as far as policy goes and that his operation also includes payoffs to police inspectors and possibly the DA's Office on Staten Island. Informant said that in the event someone attempts to collect numbers on Staten Island, [REDACTED] usually tips off the police and this individual is busted.

Informant said that [REDACTED] is presently handling this entire operation [REDACTED] and believes that the bank for this operation is located in Manhattan. Informant said [REDACTED] but can be reached at his hangout, [REDACTED]

Informant said he had learned that [REDACTED] had recently had a problem with an unknown LCN member and that in order to straighten this problem out [REDACTED] summoned [REDACTED] whom informant described as an LCN member probably in the GENOVESE "family" to represent [REDACTED] who is not an LCN member.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
AR  
NY 92-2908

Informant advised he was familiar with the above individual as [REDACTED] and stated that he was a "made guy" in LCN. Informant said he believed that [REDACTED] may have been a member of the GAMBINO "family" under NEIL DELLACROCE when DELLACROCE was a "caporegima". Informant said that [REDACTED] approximately two weeks previously had a load of cigarettes which were hijacked from New Jersey and these cigarettes were on Staten Island. Informant related that one [REDACTED] whom he described as [REDACTED] in New Jersey, had lined up and arranged for the theft of these cigarettes. Informant said he does not know if [REDACTED] still had the cigarettes.

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It is noted [REDACTED] is a known alias for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is probably identical with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 10/16/67, informant advised that during the recent past he has learned that usually every Monday night JOSEPH COLOMBO meets with CARLO GAMBINO at an unknown location, possibly GAMBINO's home, where COLOMBO settles up on shylock money he had "put out" for GAMBINO. Informant explained that COLOMBO had been handling large shylock loans with GAMBINO's money, which loans are usually in amount of \$10,000 or more.

Informant said he had also learned that GONDOLFO SCIANDRA, NY 92-2922, is the person who usually picks COLOMBO up at his home and drives him to meet with CARLO GAMBINO.

[REDACTED]  
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NY 92-1365

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b7C -2

On 10/26/67, informant advised that years ago he had been connected with [REDACTED] in New York during which time [REDACTED] was close to one [REDACTED] who was in [REDACTED]. Informant said that he had not seen [REDACTED] for a number of years and last heard [REDACTED] was residing in Miami. Informant said [REDACTED] always had the reputation of being a free spending "sport".

CLEMENTE-514

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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NY 92-2724

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b7C -2

On 10/26/67, informant advised that he had recently learned that [REDACTED] social club where card games are held at 65th Street between 14th and 15th Avenues, located a few doors from the Velvet Lounge Bar and Grill.

Informant stated he had recently seen CHARLIE THE SIDGE LO CICERO at which time LO CICERO was "hustling" watches. Informant said CHARLES LO CICERO obtains expensive legitimate watches as well as hot ones from a contact at the Diamond Exchange, and he presently contacts old friends attempting to sell same.

MARIO TRAINA  
AR  
NY 92-3740

On 10/26/67, informant advised he is familiar with captioned individual as "RED" TRAINA and last heard that TRAINA owned a dress business in the garment district of NYC. Informant stated he believed RED TRAINA is the son of GIUSEPPE TRAINA, who was formerly a "captain" in LCN, but who is now semi-retired.

Informant said RED TRAINA usually hangs out at the International Bar on New Utrecht Avenue, Brooklyn, NY.

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

Informant advised on 10/26/67, he recently learned that FUSCO had obtained a social club located on 11th Avenue between 66th and 67th Streets, which is located on the right hand side of the street when traveling in a Southbound direction. Informant said card games are usually held at this location.

Informant advised that FUSCO has been operating very openly as a bookmaker inasmuch as he pays considerable protection to Brooklyn police and is aware that FUSCO handles "horse action" on his home telephone.

CARMINE PERSICO  
AR  
NY 92-2895

On 10/26/67, informant advised that PERSICO's brother had recently been released from jail.

[REDACTED]

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 10/26/67, informant related he had heard that either JOE COLOMBO or his son, JOE JR., had obtained a piece of the El Rancho Grande Restaurant, located in Villas Gate, NY.

On 10/26/67, informant advised that he had recently learned JOSEPH COLOMBO had acquired a "piece" of NICK PROSPERO's Funeral Home located on 86th Street and 24th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. Informant stated he had heard that COLOMBO may have obtained his interest in this establishment through a shylock type loan, but that he would attempt to obtain the actual circumstances.

[REDACTED]

AR  
NY 92-4701

On 10/17/67, informant advised SALVATORE LOMBARDINO, SR. had been a "caporegima" under JOE PROFACI, but that when JOE COLOMBO acceded to power he "busted" most of the old time "greaseball" "captains" and instead replaced them with young men of his own personal choice. Informant recalled that an individual, whose name he could only recall at present as "BIG JOHN" (LNU), was made a "captain" and this individual took over LOMBARDINO's place. Informant said [REDACTED] who was a [REDACTED] was thereafter transferred to "BIG JOHN" as were all the other New Jersey COLOMBO "soldiers".

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Informant said that approximately two years ago, "BIG JOHN", because of his age, desired to "step down" and he therefore gave up his position and moved out West, possibly to California, where he moved in with a daughter. Consequently, JOE YACOVELLI was then made a "captain" by COLOMBO and YACOVELLI took over "BIG JOHN's" regime, which includes subject.

CHARLES PANARELLA  
AR  
NY 92-3171

On 11/3/67, informant advised he is familiar with PANARELLA, who is a member of the COLOMBO "family" under JOHN ODDO. Informant said PANARELLA has been placed on the books of Ackalitis (PH) Construction Company and is supposedly working



[redacted]  
on construction in Staten Island. Informant said PANARELLA has been doing very well financially during the recent past.

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-2997

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b7C -2

[redacted] On 11/ 3/67, informant advised he is familiar with [redacted] as a member of the COLOMBO "family" under JOHN "BATHBEACH" ODDO. Informant said [redacted] has most recently been handling numbers, but is in bad shape financially.

THOMAS DE BELLA  
AR  
NY 92-2723

On 11/3/67, informant advised he is familiar with DE BELLA, who is a "button guy" in the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family" and who is in the regime of CARMINE PERSICO. Informant said he had most recently heard that DE BELLA was working on the docks and is almost completely legitimate. Informant said he had not heard that DE BELLA is active in any unlawful activities.

JAMES FAILLA aka  
Jimmy Brown  
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On 11/3/67, informant advised he is familiar with JIMMY BROWN, whom he described as a "captain" in the GAMBINO "family". Informant advised he recently learned that JIMMY BROWN opened a social club on 15th Avenue between 70th and 71st Streets, Brooklyn, NY. Informant said BROWN was using the social club to hold large scale blackjack and bankers and brokers games and that usually on Sunday at noon this game is in full "swing".

On 11/15/67, the above information was disseminated to the NYCPD.

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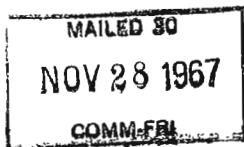
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By Liaison

*NY*  
~~Gregory Scarpa~~  
 GREGORY SCARPA  
 FBI #584217A

On March 7, 1960, Gregory Scarpa was apprehended by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Staten Island, New York, and charged with violation of the Theft of Interstate Shipment Statute. This charge was in connection with the attempted armed hijacking of Akers Motor Lines' tractor and trailer in New York City on December 11, 1959. This charge was subsequently dismissed in United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, on April 3, 1961, at the request of the Government. (15-42743)

At the time of Scarpa's arrest on March 7, 1960, 84 cases of liquor were recovered in his garage which were subsequently identified as having come from a theft of Marcell's Motor Express Company truck and its contents in New York City on February 27, 1960. Scarpa was indicted in connection with this matter by a Federal Grand Jury, Eastern District of New York, on April 28, 1960. Scarpa was charged with possession of stolen merchandise. On March 28, 1963, United States District Judge Zavatt, Eastern District of New York, dismissed the indictment against Scarpa. (15-43122)

Information was received in 1962 that Gregory Scarpa held the rank of caporegima in La Cosa Nostra. At that time, Scarpa reportedly earned his livelihood from gambling activity.

NOTE: A request has been received from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) by liaison for FBI reports concerning the above-captioned individual. Scarpa is identical with a member-informant in La Cosa Nostra. It is not believed appropriate to furnish Internal Revenue Service with reports of our investigation of Scarpa. In lieu thereof, it is requested that this letterhead memorandum be made available to Internal Revenue Service via liaison.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-6054)

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (92-2300)

"LA COSA NOSTRA" AKA, AR-CONSPIRACY

ON ELEVEN SEVENTEEN SIXTY-SEVEN, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT JAMES FAILLA, A "CAPTAIN" IN THE CARLO GAMBINO "FAMILY" WAS OPERATING A FAST ACTION CARD GAME IN THE MAWANDA SOCIAL AND ATHLETIC CLUB, SEVEN ZERO TWO TWO FIFTEENTH AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK. THE GAME IS KNOWN AS "BANKERS AND

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BROKERS". HE STATED FURTHER THAT NUMEROUS MEMBERS OF THE GAMBINO "FAMILY" WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS GAME. HE STATED FURTHER THAT THERE WAS NO INDICATION THAT THEY WERE IMPORTING ANY PLAYERS FROM OUT OF STATE.

THIS INFORMATION WAS FURNISHED TO INSPECTOR   
COMMANDING OFFICER, CIB, NYCPD.

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AS A RESULT, ON ELEVEN TWENTY-SIX SIXTY-SEVEN, THE MAWANDA SOCIAL AND ATHLETIC CLUB WAS RAIDED BY FIFTEEN DETECTIVES AND THE FOLLOWING KNOWN MEMBERS OF THE CARLO GAMBINO "FAMILY" WERE ARRESTED FOR LOITERING WITH INTENT TO GAMBLE:

HUGO BASSI

DOMINICK CASTORE

JOHN CHIARELLO

JAMES DE CICCIO

JOSEPH DE CICCIO

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PATSY LAURA  
PETER PALMIERI  
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JOSEPH TRAINA  
PAUL ZACCARIA

JAMES FAILLA WAS NOT IN ATTENDANCE AS HIS BROTHER HAD  
DIED AND HE WAS ATTENDING THE WAKE.

THE FOLLOWING GENOVESE "FAMILY" MEMBERS WERE ARRESTED:

GAETANO AMATO  
JOSEPH LAPADURA

THE FOLLOWING COLOMBO "FAMILY" MEMBERS WERE ARRESTED:

GAETANO BARBUSCA  
JOSEPH IANNACI

THE FOLLOWING SUSPECTED MEMBERS ARRESTED WERE:

JOHN CAMPANELLA  
PATSY CASTAGNOLA

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PASQUALE COSOLETTO

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ALONG WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED, NINETEEN OTHER INDIVIDUALS WERE ARRESTED (MAKING A TOTAL OF THIRTY EIGHT ARRESTS) AT THIS TIME ALL CHARGED WITH LOITERING WITH INTENT TO GAMBLE. INSPECTOR [ ] ADVISED THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED WERE FINGERPRINTED AND PHOTOGRAPHED. THE INVENTORY OF THE MONIES ON THE INDIVIDUAL PERSONS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT A LATER DATE. INSPECTOR [ ] STATED THAT THE GAME HANDLED BETWEEN TWENTY THOUSAND AND THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OF ACTION PER NIGHT DEPENDING UPON THE NUMBER OF PLAYERS. DUE TO THE SENSITIVE POSITION OF THE INFORMANT, INSPECTOR [ ] WAS INSTRUCTED NOT TO IDENTIFY THE BUREAU IN ANY PUBLICITY REGARDING THESE ARRESTS. ACCORDINGLY, THE NYCPD DID RELEASE A STORY TO THE "NEW YORK TIMES" WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE SIXTY-SEVEN INDICATING THESE ARRESTS WERE BASED ON INFORMATION DEVELOPED DURING THE INVESTIGATION OF THE MACHINE GUN MURDERS OF THOMAS AND JAMES D'ANGELO AND FRANK TELLERI

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IN THE CYRPRESS GARDENS RESTAURANT. INSPECTOR [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE WAS MOST APPRECIATIVE OF THE BUREAU'S COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER AND THAT HE HAD NOTIFIED THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU'S PARTICIPATION IN THIS MATTER, NOTING THIS WAS PROBABLY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT GAMBLING ARREST MADE IN RECENT MONTHS IN VIEW OF THE NUMBER OF LCN MEMBERS INVOLVED.

AS NOTED THE "NEW YORK TIMES", "NEW YORK POST" AND "DAILY NEWS" GAVE THIS MATTER CONSIDERABLE NEWS COVERAGE ENTITLING THE ARTICLE "ELITE OF GAMBLING....".

[REDACTED] SERVED WITH GRAND JURY SUBPOENAS AND ARE SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE KINGS COUNTY GRAND JURY ON TWELVE EIGHT SIXTY-SEVEN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ALL PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent SCLEMENTE-524 M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge



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To: SAC, New York

From: Director, FBI

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Re Bureau letter 9/5/67.

Your authority to pay the above-captioned informant has expired. Immediately submit your recommendations regarding continued payments.

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Director, FBI [redacted]

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. M. F. Row, 6221 IB
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Mr. Kelly

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Authority granted to make payments to the above-captioned informant [redacted] on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period effective 1/5/68. This authorization includes monies to pay for services rendered as well as expenses incurred by the informant at the specific request of your office.

Payments must be varied in line with the value of his services. Make certain he does not receive the impression he is receiving a regular salary.

Furnish the Bureau progress letters by 3/5/68, and 5/5/68, containing a concise summary of significant data provided by the informant. Forward recommendations regarding continued payments two weeks prior to the expiration of this authority.

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You are reminded of the necessity to submit progress letters and recommendations with respect to continued payments on a timely basis. Maintain an appropriate administrative device to assist you in following the Bureau's instructions.

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NOTE: See memo Gale to DeLoach, 1/22/68, entitled [redacted]  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/18/68 <sup>b2 -1,2</sup>

FROM : *gm*  
*ep* SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: CONF. TEL.  
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Re Bureau airtel, 1/10/68 and NY letter, 11/24/67. <sup>b2 -3</sup>

For information furnished by informant since referenced NY letter to 1/2/68, informant has been paid [redacted]

Based on information furnished by informant during the period covered by this letter approximately 50 individuals have been arrested by the NYCPD and charged with gambling. In addition informant has furnished excellent intelligence information concerning the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family" affairs as well as general LCN information. It is therefore recommended that this informant be continued as a regularly paid informant, however, the method of payment be changed from [redacted] which would simplify payments. <sup>b2 -3</sup>

Informant appears to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

The following is a summary of the more significant information furnished by informant since referenced New York letter:

JAMES FAILLA aka  
AR  
NY 92-3159

As reflected in referenced NY letter, on 11/3/67, informant furnished information concerning a large scale gambling operation at FAILLA's social club in Brooklyn, NY, which information was disseminated to the NYCPD.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

[REDACTED]

As a result, on 11/26/67, the Mawanda Social and Athletic Club was raided by 15 detectives and the following known members of the CARLO GAMBINO "family" were arrested for loitering with intent to gamble:

HUGO BASSI  
DOMINICK CASTORE  
JOHN CHIARELLO  
JAMES DE CICCIO  
JOSEPH DE CICCIO  
PATSY LAURA  
PETER PALMIERI  
LARRY PISTONE  
JOSEPH TRAINA  
PAUL ZACCARIA

JAMES FAILLA was not in attendance as his brother had died and he was attending the wake.

The following GENOVESE "family" members were arrested:

GAETANO AMATO  
JOSEPH LAPADURA

The following COLOMBO "family" members were arrested:

GAETANO BARBUSCA  
JOSEPH IANNACI

The following suspected members arrested were:

JOHN CAMPANELLA  
PATSY CASTAGNOLA  
PASQUALE COSOLETTO  
GONDOLFO SCIANDRA

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Along with the aforementioned, 19 other individuals were arrested (making a total of 38 arrests) at this time, all charged with loitering with intent to gamble. Inspector [REDACTED] CIB, NYCPD, advised that all individuals arrested were fingerprinted and photographed.

Inspector [REDACTED] stated that the game handled between \$20,000 and \$30,000 of action per night depending upon the number of players. Due to the sensitive position of the informant,

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[redacted]  
Inspector [redacted] was instructed not to identify the Bureau in any publicity regarding these arrests. Accordingly, the NYCPD did release a story to the "New York Times", Wednesday, 11/29/67, indicating these arrests were based on information developed during the investigation of the machine gun murders of THOMAS and JAMES D'ANGELO and FRANK TELLERI in the Cypress Gardens Restaurant. Inspector [redacted] advised that he was most appreciative of the Bureau's cooperation in this matter and that he had notified the Commissioner of the Bureau's participation in this matter, noting this was probably the most significant gambling arrest made in recent months in view of the number of LCN members involved.

As noted, the "New York Times", "New York Post" and "Daily News" gave this matter considerable news coverage entitling the article "Elite of Gambling....".

[redacted]  
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NY 92-3200

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On 11/16/67, informant advised he is aware that captioned individual is a member of the COLOMBO "family" under HARRY FONTANA. Informant said he had last heard that [redacted]  
[redacted]

JOSEPH BRANCATO  
AR  
NY 92-3189

On 11/8/67, informant advised that he is familiar with BRANCATO, who is a member of the COLOMBO "family" presently under MIMI SCIALO, who is "acting captain" of FRANZESE's regime. In addition, informant said ANTHONY AUGELLO is also under SCIALO.

[redacted]  
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NY 92-2088

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On 11/8/67, informant advised he is familiar with [redacted] who is a member of LCN within the COLOMBO "family" and is believed by informant to be under "caporegima" JIGGS FORLANO. Informant advised he last heard that [redacted]  
[redacted]

[REDACTED]  
RALPH TROPIANO  
AR  
NY 92-1273

On 11/8/67, informant advised he is familiar with RALPH TROPIANO, who is a member of the COLOMBO "family" under "caporegima" JIGGS FORLANO. Informant advised he last heard that TROPIANO had a numbers business in Connecticut.

[REDACTED]  
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NY 92-3733

On 11/16/67, informant advised he is familiar with [REDACTED] whom he knows as [REDACTED] and is aware that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY. Informant said he is also of the opinion that [REDACTED] is in some way related to [REDACTED]. Informant stated he is positive that [REDACTED] is not a member of the COLOMBO "family" and also feels confident that [REDACTED] is not an LCN member at all.

[REDACTED]  
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NY 92-1145

On 11/16/67, informant was queried as to his knowledge of [REDACTED] at which time informant stated that he is aware that [REDACTED] is an associate of JOSEPH COLOMBO inasmuch as he had recently heard that NICHOLAS BIANCO had setup a meet recently between COLOMBO [REDACTED]. Informant said he did not know the purpose or reason for this meeting.

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MODESTO SANTORO  
AR  
NY 92-2668

Informant advised on 11/16/67, he is familiar with SANTORO, who is known to him as "DUKE" and that SANTORO is a member of LCN in the COLOMBO "family". Informant said he last heard that SANTORO owns or has a piece of a dry goods store located at 86th Street and 21st Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, and is a close associate and partner with an individual known only to him as [REDACTED] (PH).

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[REDACTED]

JOHN CUTRONE  
AR  
NY 92-3187

Informant advised on 11/8/67, that CUTRONE is a very close associate of LARRY GALLO and that CUTRONE is presently involved in swag and hijackings. Informant said GALLO presently has a piece of the Florentine Furniture Company, 86th Street, Brooklyn, NY, and spends considerable time there.

DUKE SANTORO  
AR  
NY 92-2668

On 11/22/67, a photograph of [REDACTED] was displayed to informant at which time he advised [REDACTED] is known to him as [REDACTED] and that [REDACTED] is close to DUKE SANTORO. Informant said [REDACTED] is not a "made guy" in LCN, but was merely a hanger-on. Informant said [REDACTED] and SANTORO were involved in the same extortion case.

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JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

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On 11/22/67, informant advised that during the previous week he had arranged with CHARLES LO CICERO aka Ditty to have him prepare a complete list of the stolen securities, which he was attempting to sell. Accordingly, this list was prepared and furnished to informant as well as a sample bond, which informant recalled was a \$5000 bond on a public works in Maryland. Informant stated that he intended to furnish this material to [REDACTED] but before doing so contacted JOSEPH COLOMBO. Informant said on that occasion COLOMBO forbade informant becoming involved in any securities transactions and pointed out that it had recently been agreed among all NY LCN "families" that no LCN member should become involved in handling hot securities of American Express travelers checks inasmuch as these matters created considerable heat on LCN and that numerous LCN members and their friends had been arrested.

[REDACTED]

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NY 92-4850

On 11/22/67, informant advised that during a discussion  
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[redacted]

between himself, JOSEPH COLOMBO and two other members of the COLOMBO "family", who are close associates of COLOMBO. COLOMBO advised them that he had just learned that [redacted] had signed his (COLOMBO's) name to \$25,000 in "markers" at Las Vegas and that COLOMBO was being held responsible for same. COLOMBO stated that he had also recently learned that [redacted] had pulled a number of similar deals wherein he used COLOMBO's name in the NY area, which incidents were very embarrassing to him. COLOMBO said, accordingly, he had instructed [redacted] "not to come near him" and that he should be ostracized by them. Informant continued that he did not want this to become too apparent to everyone and instructed that [redacted] should be informed to attend COLOMBO's son's wedding.

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It is noted on 12/22/67, informant stated that whereas COLOMBO had been extremely upset with [redacted] in the past, he now appears to be losing his anger and is becoming friendly with [redacted] again. Informant opined that [redacted] had probably straightened out some of his bad debts.

SMITTY D'ANGELO  
AR  
NY 92-2699

On 11/30/67, informant related that on the previous Wednesday, 11/29/67, he had met with JOE COLOMBO and a number of other members of the COLOMBO "family" in Brooklyn, NY, at which time they had dinner together. Informant said after the dinner COLOMBO left the table and motioned informant aside at which time COLOMBO instructed informant that he should contact the members of informant's "crew", whom informant could trust and attempt to learn all information they could concerning SALVATORE BILL BONANNO. COLOMBO emphasized that if possible he should attempt to learn where BONANNO hangs out and explained to informant that BILL BONANNO "is the fellow" that handled the D'ANGELO hit and that his "intentions were not honorable". Informant is convinced that JOSEPH COLOMBO may attempt to "hit" SALVATORE BONANNO inasmuch as BONANNO represents a threat to him.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 12/11/67, informant advised that on the previous



[REDACTED]

Saturday, 12/9/67, JOSEPH COLOMBO's son, ANTHONY, had been married at the Queens Terrace Restaurant, Queens, NY. Informant said almost the entire JOSEPH COLOMBO "family", including JOSEPH IANACCI, had attended this function. Informant noted, however, that conspicuous by their absence were SIMONE ANDOLINO, SALVATORE MUSACCHIO, JOHN FRANZESE and JOHN MISURACA. Informant said that ANDOLINO has been suffering from cataracts; FRANZESE was under a lot of heat because of his recent trial, and JOHN MISURACA is probably in California, which would account for their absence, but he could not understand MUSACCHIO's absence.

Informant said LARRY and ALBERT GALLO had also attended and that he was shocked to see LARRY, who looked gaunt and had lost considerable weight. He was confidentially advised that LARRY GALLO has cancer; that a portion of his shoulder had been removed, and that he is presently undergoing cobalt treatments. Informant said he was told that this information should not be spread around.

Informant said he also recalled meeting CARLO GAMBINO as well as SAM RIZZO DE CAVALCANTE, whom informant described as the "boss" of a small independent "family" in New Jersey.

[REDACTED]

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NY 92-4756

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In response to leads set out by the Newark Division on 12/4/67, photographs of [REDACTED] were exhibited to informant at which time informant stated he recalled both of these individuals as [REDACTED] and had met them in company with [REDACTED] two years previously at which time he learned that [REDACTED] were members of the COLOMBO "family". Informant said most recently JOE YACOVELLI had taken over as "captain" of the LOMBARDINO regime and that [REDACTED] under him.

[REDACTED]

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NY 92-3153

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On 12/22/67, informant advised that JOSEPH COLOMBO had recently advised his close associates in the COLOMBO "family" of LCN that the [REDACTED] who were previously

[redacted]

recognized as LCN members of the CARLO GAMBINO "family", should no longer be accorded the respect due them since they are no longer considered "members in good standing".

SALVATORE BADALAMENTE  
AR  
NY 92-2278

On 1/2/68, informant advised he had learned that on 12/26/67, BADALAMENTE had committed suicide by placing a gun against his head and pulling the trigger. Informant advised that death had been attributed to a heart attack but that at his wake his casket had been closed and informant was told that the true facts concerning his suicide were being concealed. Informant related BADALAMENTE was a member of the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family" of LCN.

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

On 1/10/68, informant advised FUSCO, as previously reported, has a social club located on 11th Avenue between 66th and 67th Streets on the left side of the street when traveling from 67th Street. Informant reiterated that FUSCO is handling a large amount of sports action and that there are usually card games going on at this social club. Informant said Sunday, 1/14/68, will probably be a very "heavy day" for sports since there will be an AFL - NFL playoff and that all the gambling action on this game will be brought to FUSCO's social club where it will be "sorted" on Sunday afternoons.

On 1/10/68, the above information was disseminated to the NYCPD by SA [redacted]

On 1/15/68, Inspector [redacted] NYCPD, advised based on above information his department had raided the above premises and had arrested 14 individuals charged with gambling.

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NY 92-2595

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On 1/8/68, informant advised he has known [redacted] for many years and stated [redacted] is a member of the CARLO

[REDACTED]

GAMBINO "FAMILY" under "captain" PETIE PUMPS FERRARA. Informant said [REDACTED] was involved in narcotics years ago and reportedly made a lot of money in this endeavor.

Informant continued that as of approximately 1½ - 2 years ago, FERRARA owned Momma's Ravioli Company located in the Coney Island section of Brooklyn, but that he believed this company had gone bankrupt. Informant said, however, that at the same location [REDACTED] then began a business dealing in an unknown type of metal part. Informant stated that through ANGELO BRUNO in Philadelphia, [REDACTED] was able to supply these parts to an unknown person in Philadelphia and this became a big operation.

Informant continued that [REDACTED] is a very obnoxious individual who is not well liked in Brooklyn. Informant said in addition to [REDACTED] legitimate activities, he is aware that [REDACTED] also handles swag and shylocks money. b6 -2 b7C -2

Informant said [REDACTED] usually hangs out at the Copacabana and other well known night spots in NYC.

[REDACTED]

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NY 92-2724

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On 1/8/68, informant advised he had learned that [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE : January 22, 1968

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT : CONF. INET.  
[REDACTED]

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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SAC, New York, requests authority to make payments to the above-captioned top echelon informant [REDACTED] on a strictly C.O.D. basis. Special Investigative Division concurs in this recommendation.

## DETAILS

The above-captioned source has been a top echelon informant since March, 1962. He is one of the most effective informants developed to date in connection with the Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program (TECIP).

The informant, aged 39, is a veteran member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). His arrest record dates back to 1950, and includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment and consorting. By virtue of his membership in LCN, he was one of the original Bureau sources to furnish detailed data regarding the hierarchy of LCN. The informant has identified over 200 members of LCN in the New York - New Jersey area. He has also furnished extensive information relating to the criminal endeavors of numerous LCN members and their associates.

In the recent past, he has continued to be productive and to identify individuals as members of LCN. For example, during the past four-month period, he identified Joseph Brancato and Anthony Augello as being members of the Colombo "family" operating under Captain Mimi Scialo.

James Muci was identified by the informant as also being a member of the Colombo "family" acting under Captain Harry Fontana.

Enc. sent 1-24-68

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. M. F. Row, 6221 IB
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - Mr. McAndrews
- 1 - Mr. Kelly

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

Re:

In response to inquiry from the Newark Office, the informant was contacted relative to Rosario and Salvatore Lombardino. He identified both as being members of the Colombo "family" and operating under Captain Joe Yacovelli.

The informant reported that he had been requested by Joe Colombo, "boss" of his "family," to make efforts to determine the hang-outs of Bill Bonanno. Although no specific reason was given for this assignment, the informant is of the opinion that Colombo may issue a "hit" against Bill Bonanno since Colombo believes he represents a threat to his position in LCN.

In addition to providing information identifying LCN members and their activities, the informant provided data regarding local gambling operations. Based on information from this source which was made available to the New York City Police Department, 50 individuals were arrested by local authorities on gambling charges. Included among those arrested were 14 members of LCN.

As a veteran member of LCN with a proven capability to provide significant information not available from other sources, the informant has an exceptional potential to assist the New York Office.

ACTION

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It is recommended the New York Office be authorized to pay the informant  on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period. Attached for your approval is an appropriate letter.

*[Handwritten signatures and initials: JHS, OH, J, JHK, CJS, and others]*



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

February 1, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

CONF. INFO.

NEW YORK SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]

NEW YORK FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

BUREAU FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

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*J.L.*  
The above individual is a regularly paid top echelon criminal informant of the New York Office. This informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable. He has not furnished any information known to be false.

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*[Signature]*

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Mr. Tolson\_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Mohr\_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Tavel\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter\_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Holmes\_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy\_\_\_\_\_

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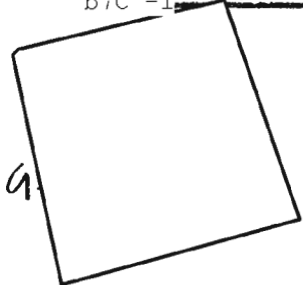
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TECIP.

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INFORMANT ADVISED JOSEPH COLOMBO, NY LCN COMMISSION  
MEMBER, RECENTLY RETURNED FROM TRIP TO MIAMI. COLOMBO  
CONFIDED TO INFORMANT TRIP WAS NOT A VACATION BUT A FAVOR  
FOR RAYMOND PATRIARCA, NEW ENGLAND LCN "BOSS". PATRIARCA,  
AWARE THAT COLOMBA A CLOSE FRIEND OF SINGER FRANK SINATRA,  
REQUESTS THAT COLOMBO GET SINATRA TO INTERCEDE WITH  
AUTHOR, KNOWN TO SINATRA, WHO IS PRESENTLY WRITING  
BOOK BASED ON INFORMATION FROM STOOL PIDGEON WHICH WOULD  
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BE DAMAGING TO PATRIARCA. COLOMBO <sup>69</sup> SAID HE "SAT" WITH  
SINATRA IN MIAMI WHO CHARACTERIZED AUTHOR AS "BAD" AND  
"RUTHLESS" INDIVIDUAL. SINATRA SAID HE "WOULD DO ANYTHING"  
FOR COLOMBO, BUT THAT THIS AUTHOR MIGHT EVEN TELL OF  
SINATRA'S EFFORTS TO MUZZLE HIM, AND THEREFORE "BEGGED OFF".

BOSTON EVALUATE AND ADVISE. EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION  
SINCE FOREGOING INFORMATION SINGULAR IN NATURE.

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Date: 2/16/68

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Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (94-536) (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
 RE: [REDACTED]  
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Re New York teletype 2/15/68.

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Boston believes that stool pigeon referred to in retel is probably JOSEPH BARBOZA. BARBOZA has discussed the possibility of writing a book with his attorney, JOHN FITZGERALD, who was recently a victim of an explosion of dynamite in his car whereby he lost one leg. FITZGERALD had interested [REDACTED] Attorney PINTA, who has handled civil affairs for BARBOZA in the past, was also involved in this discussion. During this discussion the name of TRUMAN CAPOTE had arisen as a possible author for the book. However, no definite agreement has been reached. In the recent murder trial of JERRY ANGIULO and others in connection with the gangland slaying of ROCCO DE SEGLIO, questions by the defense attorneys concerning this book were asked and the name of TRUMAN CAPOTE came up during this interrogation.

According to JOSEPH BARBOZA, all discussions relative to this book have ceased. [REDACTED] has stated that he is no longer interested in same fearing physical harm.

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The above is being furnished for information.

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Approved: [Signature]  
 FEB 20 1968 Special Agent in Charge

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C. B. Bishop

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/13/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: CONF. 

TECIP

Re Bureau letter, 1/23/68 and NY letter to Bureau, 3/13/68.

It is noted Bureau letter instructed that a progress letter should have been submitted 3/5/68, however, contacting agent has been assigned almost exclusively to case captioned, "UNSUBS (2); Theft of \$378,345.25 Worth of Palladium, KLM, JFK Airport, NYC, 2/27/68, TFIS", since 2/28/68.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/13/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

CONF. INFT.

SUBJECT: TECIP

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Re Bureau letter, 1/23/68 and NY letter, 1/18/68.

On 2/16/68, informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 1/2 - 2/4/68. In future, informant will be paid an additional [redacted] for information furnished during the period 2/5 - 3/4/68.

Informant appears to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

JOHN MISURACA  
AR  
NY 92-2378

It is noted on 10/17/67, informant traced JOSEPH YACOVELLI's rise to the status of "captain", stating that approximately two years previously one "BIG JOHN" voluntarily stepped down from his position as "caporegima" in the JOE COLOMBO "family" in the NJ area.

In response to leads set out by San Francisco and Tampa Divisions on 1/16/68, informant was recontacted at which time he advised that "BIG JOHN", above, is identical with JOHN MISURACA and that he had heard nothing concerning MISURACA for a considerable period of time. Informant said MISURACA's name had never, to his knowledge, been "tarnished" and that he would naturally receive considerable "respect" in any LCN "family" notwithstanding the fact he is considered retired.

Informant explained that JOE COLOMBO's "captains" are expected to remain active with their respective "regimes" and also to make regular contact with him. Informant said right up until the time of COLOMBO's arrest at the La Stella Restaurant, he held regular "captain meetings" which informant attended and all "captains" were expected to attend and be fully conversant with the activities of each "soldier" in his regime. Informant opined that

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perhaps it was these demands and responsibilities which caused MISURACA to voluntarily "step down".

Informant knows of no jurisdiction which MISURACA might presently have, but reiterated he would be "respected" anywhere and would naturally be in a position to ask and receive favors. Informant guessed that MISURACA is probably a wealthy man at present and doubts he is actively pursuing any illegal activities.

UNSUBS; Theft of One Case of  
Gold Jewelry, Olympic Airways  
#050-46-499, Olympic Cargo Area,  
JFK Airport, 1/12 - 15/68  
TFIS  
NY 15-47244

On 1/29/68, informant advised he had learned that the above theft, which consisted of a large carton weighing over 40 lbs. of rings, bracelets, earrings and assorted men's and women's jewelry, which was being shipped via Olympic Airways from Greece to NYC, was stolen by an employee handling cargo in that airway. Informant said he had heard that a "middle man" in the NY area was attempting to dispose of above jewelry, but inasmuch as this jewelry was so ornate and so easily identifiable, he was forced to locate a "fence" from out of town.

Informant learned that on approximately Sunday 1/21/68, [redacted] whom informant described as probably [redacted]

[redacted] flew up to NYC where he was shown this load of jewelry and at which time he offered approximately \$10,000 for same. Informant said he learned that when the thief agreed with this amount [redacted] contacted a NYC Police Dept. detective from [redacted] who was to handle the shipping of this carton of jewelry [redacted] presumably in [redacted] Informant said he learned that [redacted] (unquestionably identical with [redacted] whose physical description answers closely to that furnished by informant) on numerous occasions in the past had shipped [redacted]

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b7C -2,4

Informant stated he had also learned that on 1/23/68, [redacted] inasmuch as he had been offered the proceeds of a \$200,000 gem robbery committed in Miami and intended to negotiate for same.

[redacted]

Informant further advised that [redacted] in the past had been shot during an attempted holdup of his business by unknown assailants and boasted that [redacted] offered to go to [redacted] kill the "finger man" if [redacted] was able to learn his identity. [redacted] also boasted that he has numerous friends in law enforcement [redacted] and could setup large burglaries there and almost guarantee success through his contacts. b6 -2,4  
b7C -2,4

Informant said the carton containing the jewelry, which was handled by [redacted] was approximately 20 - 24 inches square and approximately 10 inches high. Informant said he was unable to learn how [redacted] had shipped same [redacted]

On 3/8/68, informant advised he had learned that [redacted] who purchased captioned load, has displayed in a China closet located in his living room, two of the jewel encrusted cups which were included in instant theft. In addition, informant heard that [redacted] had also given one or two of the more exquisite brooches in this shipment to his wife. Informant stated that [redacted] supposedly has false bills of sale to substantiate purchases for these items. b6 -2,4  
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b7C -2

It is noted the foregoing information has been furnished to the Miami Division and efforts are presently underway to obtain process against [redacted]

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-4040

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b7C -2

On 1/31/68, informant advised that the subject is completely inactive and "can be forgotten" as far as any LCN activity is concerned. Informant stated that [redacted] still hangs around the [redacted] Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, but does very little work because of his age and never associates with JOSEPH COLOMBO or any other LCN member, except on a purely social basis.

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

It is noted that referenced NY letter included information indicating that informant furnished information concerning gambling activities being carried on at FUSCO's social club in Brooklyn, which resulted in the arrest of 14 individuals.

CLEMENTE-545

[redacted]

On 2/7/68, informant said that information furnished to the NYCPD had resulted in the "police selling it out" and that although they had made a number of insignificant gambling arrests at this location, in reality the following additional individuals were present, but were not arrested:

DICK FUSCO, who had on his person considerable "work" (gambling paraphernalia)

DICK FUSCO's son, who had \$5,000 in cash on his person and a large amount of sports action

BLACK SAM NUSACCHIO, who had on his person at the time a number of hot credit cards.

[redacted] who is not an LCN member, but a local Brooklyn gambler, had on his person numbers receipts as well as a list of stolen cigarettes available for sale.

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b7C -2

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 2/7/68, informant advised that although JOSEPH COLOMBO had been talking of going to Miami for the past 3 weeks, he believed that sometime in the very near future COLOMBO intended to depart for Miami.

Informant related he had heard approximately two or three weeks previously the furniture store or factory located in NYC, which COLOMBO has a piece of, had been burglarized of two truck loads of furniture and that COLOMBO was asking around to determine if any of the members in his "family" had been offered any swag furniture.

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b7C -2

It is noted information previously developed indicates that at one time SONNY FRANZESE [redacted] had a piece of Carlyle Custom Convertible Furniture, Inc., 1056 3rd Avenue, NYC, and the above information may relate to this business.

Informant advised that [redacted] (PH), who was employed by [redacted] and who was recognized as "COLOMBO's man", had recently been arrested and charged with the embezzlement of approximately \$200,000 [redacted] Informant said he

[redacted]

is aware that [redacted] was a heavy bettor at the track, and was during the recent past "living high". Informant further related that COLOMBO when he learned of [redacted] embezzlement became enraged and threatened to have "his head kicked in" inasmuch as he owed COLOMBO a large sum of money, which he still had not repaid. Informant said he feels certain that COLOMBO does not own a piece of [redacted] and that [redacted] was not acting under COLOMBO's instructions when he embezzled this money. b6 -2  
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On 2/7/68, informant advised he had recently learned that sometime in early December, 1967, three unknown individuals had been arrested in Secaucus, NJ, charged with "loitering" or "loitering with intent to commit hijacking", and that these three individuals were subsequently bailed by [redacted] from NYC for \$1,000 each. Informant related he learned that these individuals were attempting to hijack a load of drugs from the Secaucus area when they were arrested and that MICKEY MISELLO (PH), ALBERT DE CICCIO and JOE IANACCI were supposed to get the load and sell same. Informant related he heard nothing further concerning this. b6 -2  
b7C -2

The above information was furnished to the Newark Office.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

In reply to an inquiry from the Miami Division on 2/7/68, informant advised that COLOMBO was planning to go to Miami in the next day or so where he intended to see FRANK SINATRA.

On 2/13/68, informant advised COLOMBO had gone to Miami, met SINATRA, and returned to NY.

On 2/14/68, informant advised that COLOMBO confided to him that the above trip was not a vacation but a favor for RAYMOND PATRIARCA, New England LCN "boss". PATRIARCA, aware that COLOMBO is a close friend of singer FRANK SINATRA, requested that COLOMBO get SINATRA to intercede with author, known to SINATRA, who is presently writing book based on information from stool pigeon, which would be damaging to PATRIARCA. COLOMBO said he "sat" with SINATRA in Miami and SINATRA characterized author as "bad" and "ruthless" individual. SINATRA said he "would do anything" for COLOMBO, but that this author might even tell of SINATRA's efforts to muzzle him, and therefore "begged off".

[redacted]

By airtel dated 2/16/68, the Boston Division advised it believes that the stool pigeon referred to is probably JOSEPH BARBOZA. BARBOZA has discussed the possibility of writing a book with his attorney, JOHN FITZGERALD, who was recently a victim of an explosion of dynamite in his car whereby he lost one leg. FITZGERALD had interested [redacted]

[redacted] Attorney PINTA, who has handled civil affairs for BARBOZA in the past, was also involved in this discussion. During this discussion the name of TRUMAN CAPOTE had arisen as a possible author for the book. However, no definite agreement has been reached. In the recent murder trial of JERRY ANGIULO and others in connection with the gangland slaying of ROCCO DE SEGLIO, questions by the defense attorneys concerning this book were asked and the name of TRUMAN CAPOTE came up during this interrogation.

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According to JOSEPH BARBOZA, all discussions relative to this book have ceased. [redacted] has stated that he is no longer interested in same fearing physical harm.

JAMES FAILLA

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NY92-3159

On 2/13/68, informant advised FAILLA's game had moved to another location in Brooklyn, NY, and he had heard that on 2/11/68, the police had raided the new location. Informant said at that time the individuals caught refused to be arrested by police and a big fracas ensued. Informant said a number of policemen were assaulted, a plate glass window was smashed, some of the players were able to escape, and FAT BUDDY SCIANDRA was beaten and arrested by the police.

[redacted]  
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NY 92-2681

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On 2/13/68, informant advised he is aware that at the present time the [redacted] are deeply involved in the obscene film business [redacted] on Staten Island. Informant said he has ascertained that the [redacted] are utilizing a young chubby individual who wears glasses as a "messenger" for delivery of these films and they are also utilizing Emil's Barbershop located on 15th Avenue between 71st and 72nd Streets, Brooklyn, NY, as a "drop".



[REDACTED]

Informant related he also heard rumors that NICK BIANCO, who makes regular trips to Providence, RI, acts as a courier in delivering obscene film to the Boston area.

On 3/5/68, informant advised he had observed the above-described chubby individual and furnished the license plate number of the vehicle being utilized by him. This individual has been identified as ROBERT LINO, who has a criminal record. Investigation is continuing utilizing additional information which it is hoped will be developed by informant in an effort to determine if an ITOM violation exists in this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/3/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT:

CONF. INFT.

TECIP

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Re New York letter, 3/13/68.

On 3/15/68, informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 2/5 - 3/4/68; on 4/16/68, informant was paid a like sum for information furnished during the period 3/5 - 4/4/68. It is expected informant will be paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 4/5 - 5/4/68.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

The following is a summary of information furnished by informant since referenced letter as well as results of information reported in referenced letter:

UNSUBS; Theft of One Case  
of Gold Jewelry, Olympic  
Airways # 050-46-499,  
Olympic Cargo Area,  
JFK Airport, 1/12 - 15/68  
TFIS  
NY 15-47244

ITSP - TJT  
MM 87-15065  
BU 87-62294

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By letter dated 4/10/68, the Miami Division advised the Bureau of the following in the latter case caption:

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CLEMENTE-550

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[redacted] On 3/8/68, [redacted] advised that he had learned subject, [redacted] whom he had previously advised purchased a case of gold jewelry stolen from Olympic Airways, Olympic Cargo area, JFK Airport, NY, between 1/12 and 15/68, had in his apartment, [redacted] two cups on display which were part of aforementioned Greek jewelry stolen at JFK Airport. In view of [redacted] highly sensitive position in LCN and the fact that a compromise of him would seriously impair the effectiveness of gaining information concerning op hoodlum activities, SA [redacted] being possessed of aforementioned information, contacted [redacted] from the lobby of his apartment on 3/14/68, requesting an interview with him pertaining to the possibility that his was the name appearing on flight manifests of a flight to the Dominican Republic and return on 2/25 and 26/68. Based on previous rapport by SA [redacted] with [redacted] consented to SA [redacted] coming to his apartment for an interview. During the course of this interview which ensued, SA [redacted] observed the two cups previously mentioned by [redacted] as being in his apartment. On the basis of this observation, a search warrant was obtained and executed on 3/18/68. As a result of this search warrant and a second one obtained during the progress of this search being conducted, the [redacted] Office seized 24 pieces of jewelry contained in the Greek shipment and numerous other items of jewelry, loose diamonds and coins.

[redacted] returned a true bill of indictment charging subject with a violation of Title 18, Section 659, USC - possession of goods stolen in foreign commerce. A bench warrant was issued on 3/28/68, and [redacted] was arrested by Bureau Agents on the same date and turned over to USM, [redacted] whereupon he was released on \$15,000.00 bond. A civil motion was filed by [redacted] for the return of property seized in the search on 3/18/68, in USDC, Miami, 3/20/68. This was argued on 3/28/68, before USDJ JOE EATON, who ruled that the civil motion for return of property was improperly brought in view of a criminal indictment against [redacted] and should be phrased as part of [redacted] defense in the current pending criminal proceedings in USDC, Miami, Florida.

As of this writing, based upon an appraisal by two gemmologists, a value of \$305,000.00 was placed on just jewelry items alone. Currently being checked out as a basis for a future additional arrest of [redacted] are 345 ladies Waltham watch movements found in a suitcase confiscated on the day of the search.

[redacted]  
By letter dated 4/23/68, the Miami Division advised the NYO in part as follows:

The 345 ladies Waltham watch movements have been tentatively identified by the Chicago Division as having emanated from a Swiss Air shipment of August, 1966.

The Miami Division is awaiting results of all investigation being conducted by the Chicago Division relative to above and AUSA, Southern District of Florida, contemplating presenting facts of this matter to FGJ, Southern District of Florida, as early as possible.

In view of the fact that GORDON's trial in connection with the previous TFIS matter is set for 7/15/68, and motions to suppress evidence gained in this matter are anticipated within the next two weeks, AUSA, Southern District of Florida, feels that additional Federal charges placed against GORDON as a result of the searches will bolster the legality of the search warrants obtained and executed on 3/18/68.

On 3/26/68, informant advised he was told the following information, which he believes is second or third hand:

That organized criminal element, Miami, Florida, is concerned over recent seizure of large quantity of jewelry from [redacted]

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[redacted]  
Informant stated he will maintain contact with source who furnished above information in an effort to keep abreast of any developments regarding above matter.

The above information was furnished to the Miami Division on the same date.

SALVATORE LOMBARDINO  
AR  
NY 92-4701

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By letter dated 3/14/68, the following information was furnished to the Newark Office concerning [redacted] of captioned subject's [redacted]

[redacted] Newark, NJ. Informant advised the following individuals attended this affair, all of whom except as otherwise noted, are members of the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family" of LCN:

[redacted]

JOSEPH YACOVELLI, "captain" of LCN members residing  
in the NJ area under JOSEPH COLOMBO  
MIMI SCIALO  
CHARLES PANARELLA  
JOSEPH PERAINO  
JOSEPH MUTOLI, presently assigned to the regime of  
SIMONE ANDOLINO  
BENNY LO CICERO  
SAM NASTASA  
GREGORY SCARPA  
JOHN FONTANA  
ANTHONY AUGELLO  
[redacted] (LNU), described as [redacted] HARRY  
FONTANA, who is not an LCN member

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b7C -2

In addition, informant advised [redacted]  
[redacted] was in attendance as well as a number of NJ  
people, who were reputed to be LCN members, but whose names  
were not familiar to him. Informant was told that a member  
of the COLOMBO "family", who was described to him as approximately  
84 years of age, wearing thick glasses and walking with a cane,  
and had allegedly boasted that years ago he had hidden an individual  
out at his house who was wanted by the police for murder, was  
also present at this affair.

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-1866

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b7C -2

On 3/15/68, informant advised he recently learned that  
[redacted] NYC,  
where [redacted] hangout. Informant  
said [redacted] in the THOMAS LUCHESE "family",  
and that [redacted] in the  
same "family".

NICHOLAS BIANCO  
AR  
NY 92-3407

On 3/12/68, informant related that as previously  
stated NICHOLAS BIANCO is the contact for the sale of  
pornography [redacted] to the Boston - Providence areas.  
Informant said in this regard NICK BIANCO [redacted]

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b7C -2

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b7C -2

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
as his messenger in the delivery of these films. Informant also related that he believes weekly trips are made in connection with the transportation of pornography.

GAMBLING  
BROOKLYN AND NEW YORK  
NY 162-

On 3/12/68, informant advised that JOE IANACCI, a close associate of JOSEPH COLOMBO, presently has a large scale crap game in operation at his social club on 18th Avenue between 86th and Benson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, and that on Friday nights this game does a large scale business.

On 3/13/68, Inspector [redacted] Moral Squad, NYCPD, was furnished the above information.

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ALLEGED KIDNAPING  
OF HOODLUMS  
AR  
NY 92-4774

On 3/28/68, informant advised during a recent discussion with [redacted]

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[redacted] expressed great concern over the recent abductions of hoodlums by a gang of colored and white individuals who were ransoming these people off. [redacted] stated that the police have now learned of this and that the hoodlum element is "caught in the middle". [redacted] related that two of the white members of this gang have been identified by East Harlem hoodlums and that they have been quietly murdered. [redacted] stated that they are continuing their efforts to identify the kidnapers in order to do away with them.

CHARLES LO CICERO  
AR  
NY 92-1612

On 4/19/68, approximately one hour after subject's murder, informant telephonically advised he had been indirectly told by JOSEPH COLOMBO of LO CICERO's murder and instructed to "stay away" since police were "bringing in" LO CICERO's associates for questioning. Informant was next contacted by COLOMBO on 4/22/68, when they both attended LO CICERO's wake. At that time

[REDACTED]

COLOMBO confided that LO CICERO's murder was "no problem" and that COLOMBO had merely lost a "compare". Informant said COLOMBO was not talkative and he did not press him concerning this.

During the early AM, 4/26/68, informant advised he had earlier left COLOMBO at which time COLOMBO again commented that LO CICERO's murder caused the loss of a "compare" to him. COLOMBO then asked what informant felt he lost, to which COLOMBO was assured that informant lost even less making it apparent that although LO CICERO had at one time been his "captain", he never had any "love" for him". COLOMBO thereupon advised that the LO CICERO murder was a "family affair" not having anything to do with "their family" (obviously referring to the JOSEPH COLOMBO LCN "family"). COLOMBO then advised that it was inevitable that LO CICERO would be killed by his own "family" since he was responsible for the murder of his grandson, RICHARD, and that COLOMBO was surprised that FRANK had "worked so fast".

It is to be noted on 4/3/67, RICHARD LO CICERO appeared before the Kings County GJ investigating the theft of \$370,862 of stolen stock. On the following date two of RICHARD LO CICERO's brothers and 3 others were indicted by the GJ and it was suspected that RICHARD gave evidence against them. On 4/5/67, RICHARD LO CICERO's mutilated body was found in Brooklyn.

Concerning COLOMBO's above reference to FRANK, this is unquestionably FRANK LO CICERO, son of subject, who was arrested 7/27/66, based on information furnished by NY TE informant and charged with violation of parole.

On 4/2/68, FRANK LO CICERO was released from prison on this charge.

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Date: 5/8/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: 

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Informant this date, advised word of shooting widely discussed in Brooklyn.

interviewed by Bureau Agents, 5/8/68, at Coney Island Hospital.  has bullet in right elbow which has shattered entire joint. Also has bullet lodged in left elbow and that these wounds will probably incapacitate him for an estimated month or two.  refused to be interviewed and directed all questions to his attorney, JACK ESEROFF, well-known Brooklyn hoodlum lawyer.

b6 -1,2  
b7C -1,2

Inasmuch as information furnished by informant has become common gossip in Brooklyn, pertinent details as furnished by informant were disseminated to Detective  61st Squad, Brooklyn, NY.  related that  was driven to Coney Island Hospital by unknown person and was booked in at 1:40 p.m., Monday, 5/6/68.  related  refuses to answer any questions and no information whatsoever had been developed concerning instant shooting.

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b7C -2,4

related that in addition to above-mentioned wounds, a preliminary inspection of  chest revealed what appeared to be a gun shot wound high in the center of the chest area, however, closer inspection reflected this was badly bruised area caused by impact of circular object, approximately the size of a dime, which may have been caused by a blow from the front barrel of a gun.  also

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[redacted]  
[redacted] advised that on previous day while he was observing [redacted] without [redacted] knowledge, he noted that [redacted] was flexing the index finger of his left hand as if trying to determine whether he could "pull a trigger".

b6 -2,4  
b7C -2,4

[redacted] related he would attempt to locate witnesses at social club where shooting occurred and advised he would furnish any pertinent developments to FBI, NY.

On 5/8/68, informant also advised that he had recently learned that CARMINE PERSICO and SALLY D'AMBROSIO, recently released from prison, had spent weekend together at PERSICO's Kingston, NY, home. Informant said he learned that both had approached JOE COLOMBO and requested that D'AMBROSIO be made a "captain" in COLOMBO "family". Both then requested carte blanche authority from COLOMBO to "start a new grave yard". Informant said he would attempt to determine details of this through JOE COLOMBO. Informant advised COLOMBO has been hinting strongly to him that he might consider making [redacted] a "captain" in COLOMBO "family".

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The Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

Mr. DeLoach

DATE May 10, 1968

FROM

Mr. Gale

SUBJECT

TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
Tavel \_\_\_\_\_  
Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

CONT. INFO.

This is to advise you of the excellent results being achieved through the services of [redacted] an extremely valuable top echelon informant. b2 -1

As you know our Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program has a two-fold goal--the development of significant data regarding La Cosa Nostra (LCN) and other organized criminal groups; and the development of pertinent information which will result in the prosecution of top racket figures. [redacted] has been productive in both areas.

He is a highly-placed LCN member-informant within the Joseph Colombo "family" of LCN. On 5-7-68 he reported that Colombo had personally issued a "contract" to murder Brooklyn hoodlum [redacted] who recently made known his intention to kill Carmine Persico, a capodecina in the Colombo "family" over a personal dispute. According to informant, Colombo instructed that [redacted] be shot and left lying in the street as an example to others who might have the effrontery to make threats against members of LCN group. b6 -2  
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Informant advised that one of those receiving the contract was LCN member Frank LoCicero [redacted] on the premises of a Brooklyn card club. [redacted] is listed as being in critical condition. Our New York Office has disseminated information regarding this attempted murder to the New York City Police Department. This is an excellent example of the high degree of LCN penetration of our sources.

On January, 1968, one case of gold jewelry was stolen from Olympic Airways, John F. Kennedy Airport, New York City. A Theft From Interstate Shipment investigation was initiated concerning this

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. Kelly

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach  
Re: Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program

matter. The informant advised that [redacted] was negotiating to purchase the loot. On March 8, 1968, the informant reported that [redacted] had purchased the stolen jewelry and has displayed in a china closet located in his living room two of the jewel encrusted cups which were included in the theft.

This information was promptly forwarded to our Miami Office, and following appropriate investigative efforts, a search warrant was obtained for [redacted] apartment. Twenty-four pieces of jewelry contained in the shipment were recovered. They have a recovery value of \$305,000; in addition, on [redacted] Federal Grand Jury in Miami returned a true bill of indictment against [redacted] charging possession of goods stolen in foreign commerce.

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ACTION:

For information.

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Date: 5/15/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

CONF. INET

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Re NY tel 5/7/68 and NY airtel 5/8/68.

On 5/14 & 15/68, informant advised he had heard that BENNY L. CICERO claims to have "connections" at Coney Island Hospital and will learn when police are no longer close to [REDACTED] LO CICERO claims he will then obtain a doctors' bag, dress as a doctor and thereafter proceed to bedside of [REDACTED] where he will "finish him".

On 5/14/68, Detective [REDACTED] 61st Precinct, NYCPD, advised of above information. [REDACTED] related that his precinct, in company with the 66th Precinct, as well as police ballistics, had conducted numerous interviews and an intensive search of social club mentioned by informant as being site of shooting. [REDACTED] stated a number of holes of suspicious nature were found, but they were unable to locate any spent bullets. [REDACTED] advised this was done by his department previous week and new information reflecting that another attempt would be made on [REDACTED] life may possibly be as a result of their open investigation at social club which has probably created belief that [REDACTED] is cooperating with police. [REDACTED] advised his department intends to vigorously pursue this shooting and that police officers would remain at Coney Island Hospital. 179-1996-103

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1-New York (92-2895) (PERSICO)  
1-New York (92-2724)  
1-New York

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

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Per [Signature]

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On latter date informant advised that throughout PERSICO's most recent hijacking trial he acted supremely confident that he would "beat the case", however, word is that due to last minute switch of juror, PERSICO "lost his edge". It is noted PERSICO's confidence is evidenced by information set out in re airtel indicating PERSICO and SALLY D'AMBROSIO were attempting to obtain permission to "start a new graveyard" indicating he believed he would be free to go about his affairs.

Informant advised SALLY D'AMBROSIO's and CARMINE PERSICO's ambitions have caused great anxiety to JOSEPH COLOMBO who believes now that PERSICO probably be the greatest threat to COLOMBO's unquestioned leadership of "family".

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| Mr. DeLoach  | _____ |
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| Mr. Conrad   | _____ |
| Mr. Felt     | _____ |
| Mr. Gale     | _____ |
| Mr. Rosen    | _____ |
| Mr. Sullivan | _____ |
| Mr. Tavel    | _____ |
| Mr. Trotter  | _____ |
| Tele. Room   | _____ |
| Miss Holmes  | _____ |
| Miss Gandy   | _____ |

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FBI NEW YORK

9-23 PM URGENT 5-7-68WPK

TO DIRECTOR [REDACTED] (CODE)

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FROM NEW YORK [REDACTED] 2P

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CONF. INFO

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THIS DATE, INFORMANT ADVISED HE HAD LEARNED JOE COLOMBO  
HEAD OF COLOMBO LCN FAMILY HAD "PUT OUT CONTRACT" [REDACTED]

INFORMANT SAID COLOMBO WAS INCENSED AT [REDACTED] INASMUCH  
AS [REDACTED] HAD MADE STATEMENTS HE INTENDED TO KILL CARMINE  
PERSICO OVER PERSONAL DISPUTE BETWEEN PERSICO [REDACTED]  
INFORMANT SAID COLOMBO DESIRED THAT [REDACTED] BE SHOT AND LEFT  
LYING IN THE STREET TO SHOW WORLD THAT NO ONE MAKES THREATS  
AGAINST HIS "FAMILY" MEMBERS.

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INFORMANT ADVISED THAT ONE OF PERSONS WHO RECEIVED  
CONTRACT WAS FRANK LO CICERO, LCN MEMBER IN COLOMBO "FAMILY"  
AND THAT LO CICERO WAS AWARE THAT HALF-BROTHER, CHARLES LO CICERO,  
WAS IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] CHARLES LO CICERO AKA DIDI IN AN

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EFFORT TO "PROVE HIMSELF" THEREUPON CONTACTED [REDACTED] AM OF  
FIVE SIX SIXTY EIGHT AND REQUESTED [REDACTED] ASSIST HIM ON HIT  
OF PERSON HE BELIEVED HAD KILLED HIS FATHER, CHARLIE THE SIDGE  
LO CICERO, WHO WAS MACHINEGUNNED IN BROOKLYN ON APRIL TWENTY-TWO,  
NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT. [REDACTED] BELIEVING THIS TO BE TRUE, MET  
WITH LO CICERO AND BOTH, ARMED, RODE AROUND BROOKLYN FOR  
APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS WHEN DIDI LO CICERO ADVISED [REDACTED]  
THAT HE THOUGHT THEY WERE "UNDER POLICE SURVEILLANCE" AND  
SUGGESTED THAT THEY DISARM THEMSELVES. THEY THEREAFTER ENTERED  
SOCIAL CLUB ON THIRTEENTH AVENUE BETWEEN SEVENTY FIFTH AND SEVENTY  
SIXTH STREETS AND WENT TO BACK ROOM. DIDI THEN DISPLAYED HIS  
GUN, A NEW THIRTY EIGHT CALIBER REVOLVER WHICH HE CLAIMED WAS  
ONE OF TWO GUNS HE PURCHASED AND WHICH WAS PART OF SHIPMENT  
STOLEN FROM KENNEDY AIRPORT. WHILE [REDACTED] ADMIRING DIDI'S  
WEAPON, DIDI BEGAN TO PUT A GLOVE ON HIS HAND AND APPARENTLY  
[REDACTED] SENSING TERROR IN DIDI'S EYES AND REALIZING HIS TRUE  
INTENTION, BEGAN TO GRAPPLE WITH HIM OVER POSSESSION OF GUN.  
DIDI WAS ABLE TO PLACE FINGER IN TRIGGER AND FIRED HIS GUN HITTING  
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[REDACTED] IN SHOULDER. [REDACTED] THEN REGAINED COMPOSURE AND  
BEGAN RUNNING TOWARD FRONT DOOR WITH DIDI LO CICERO CHASING  
HIM AND FIRING WILDLY. A CARD PLAYER IN FRONT ROOM CREASED  
IN NECK BY WILD SHOT. [REDACTED] ON REACHING STREET COLLIDED  
WITH PASSERBY WHICH ALLOWED DIDI LO CICERO TO CATCH UP WITH  
HIM AND HE THEN PLACED GUN IN [REDACTED] FACE AND BEGAN PULLING  
TRIGGER ON EMPT<sup>y</sup> CHAMBERS. [REDACTED] RACED FROM SCENE AND  
JUMPED INTO AN OCCUPIED VEHICLE WHICH THEREAFTER SPED OFF.  
INFORMANT BELIEVES THIS INDIVIDUAL [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] AND LO CICERO.

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DISCREET INQUIRIES DETERMINED THAT [REDACTED]  
PRESENTLY IN CRITICAL CONDITION CONEY ISLAND HOSPITAL AND UNDER  
NYCPD PROTECTIVE CUSTODY. NYO WILL, IF CONDITION PERMITS,  
INTERVIEW [REDACTED] IN AN EFFORET TO GAIN COOPERATION. WILL  
ALSO CONSIDER DISSEMINATING PERTINENT PORTIONS OF ABOVE TO  
NYCPD, IF SAME DOES NOT COMPROMISE INFORMANT.

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SAC, New York [redacted]

REC-40 179-1996-105

Director, FBI [redacted]

June 28, 1968

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Gale  
1 - M.F. Row. 6221 IB  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - Mr. Kelly

TECIP

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Reurlet, 6/21/68.

Authority granted to continue payments to the above-captioned source [redacted] on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period effective 7/5/68. This authorization includes monies to pay for services rendered as well as expenses incurred by the informant at the specific request of your office. b2 -3

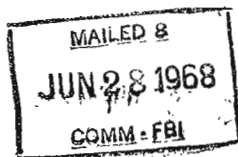
It should be made crystal clear to the informant that he is not receiving a regular salary and that all payments are on a strictly C.O.D. basis. Insure that payments are varied in line with the value of his services.

Furnish the Bureau progress letters by 9/5/68 and 11/5/68, setting forth a succinct summary of significant data provided by the informant. Forward recommendations with respect to continued payments two weeks prior to the expiration of this authority.

NOTE: See Gale to DeLoach memorandum, 6/27/68, captioned as above, JEK:mfd.

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66 JUL 8 1968

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CLEMENTE-565

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/21/68

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FROM : *gmm* SAC, NEW YORK

*spc* CONT. INFE.

SUBJECT:

TECIP

Re Bureau letter, 1/23/68, and New York letter, 5/3/68.

Informant was paid [ ] for information furnished during the period 4/5 - 5/4/68, as well as [ ] for information furnished during the period 5/5/ - 6/4/68.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

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Informant is being contacted on a regular basis and has been furnishing a constant stream of high level intelligence information as well as information which may have merit within the Bureau's jurisdiction. It is therefore recommended that this informant be continued as a regularly paid informant and receive a maximum of [ ] for information furnished as well as expenses incurred.

It is noted during approximately the past two months informant advised JOSEPH COLOMBO had strongly hinted to him on a number of occasions that he did not desire to make SALVATORE D'AMBROSIO a "captain", notwithstanding the fact that D'AMBROSIO was very ambitious, but that he would, in fact, prefer to make informant a "captain". Informant also advised that although COLOMBO did not specifically mention it, he felt the only reason COLOMBO has not made him a "captain" was the fact that he is still in debt to COLOMBO in the amount of approximately \$20,000 and feels that COLOMBO would like to have his "captains" financially independent and able not only to take care of their problems but be in a position to help their "crews".

Informant is being encouraged to repay this loan as soon as possible and to continue to ingratiate himself in any logical way with COLOMBO so that COLOMBO will not overlook elevating informant to the position of "captain". [ ]

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CLEMENTE-566

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



5010-108

EXP. PROC.

179-1996-105  
15 JUN 25 1968

[REDACTED]

The following is a summary of information furnished since 4/26/68:

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

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b7D -5

On 5/7/68, informant advised he had learned JOSEPH COLOMBO, head of the COLOMBO "family" of LCN, had "put out a contract" [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Informant advised COLOMBO was incensed at [REDACTED] inasmuch as [REDACTED] had made statements he intended to kill CARMINE PERSICO over personal dispute between PERSICO [REDACTED]. Informant said COLOMBO desired that [REDACTED] be shot and left lying in the street to show world that no one makes threats against his "family" members.

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b7C -2

Informant advised that one of the persons who received contract was FRANK LO CICERO, LCN member in COLOMBO "family", and that LO CICERO was aware that half-brother, CHARLES LO CICERO, was in contact [REDACTED]. CHARLES LO CICERO aka Didi, in an effort to "prove himself" thereupon contacted [REDACTED] morning of 5/6/68, and requested [REDACTED] to assist him on "hit" of person he believed had killed his father, CHARLIE "THE SIDGE" LO CICERO, who was machine-gunned in Brooklyn on 4/22/68. [REDACTED] believing this to be true, met with LO CICERO and both, armed, rode around Brooklyn for approximately two hours when DIDI LO CICERO advised [REDACTED] that he thought they were "under police surveillance" and suggested that they disarm themselves. They thereafter entered a social club on 13th Avenue between 75th and 76th Streets and went to the back room. DIDI then displayed his gun, a new .38 caliber revolver, which he claimed was one of two guns he purchased and which was part of shipment stolen from Kennedy Airport. While [REDACTED] was admiring DIDI's weapon, DIDI began to put a glove on his hand and apparently [REDACTED] sensing terror in DIDI's eyes and realizing his true intention, began to grapple with him over possession of the gun. DIDI was able to place finger in trigger and fired his gun hitting [REDACTED] in shoulder. [REDACTED] then regained composure and began running toward front door with DIDI LO CICERO chasing him and firing wildly. A card player in front room was creased in neck by wild shot. [REDACTED] on reaching street collided with passerby, which allowed DIDI LO CICERO to catch up

[redacted]  
with him and he then placed gun in [redacted] face and began pulling trigger on empty chambers. [redacted] raced from scene and jumped into an occupied vehicle which thereafter sped off. Informant believes this individual, [redacted] and LO CICERO.

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b7C -2

Discreet inquiries determined that [redacted] is presently in critical condition at Coney Island Hospital and under NYCPD protective custody.

On 5/8/68, informant advised word of [redacted] shooting widely discussed in Brooklyn.

[redacted] interviewed by Bureau Agents, 5/8/68, at Coney Island Hospital. [redacted] has bullet in right elbow, which has shattered entire joint. Also has bullet lodged in left elbow and these wounds will probably incapacitate him for an estimated month or two. [redacted] refused to be interviewed and directed all questions to his attorney, JACK ESEROFF, well-known Brooklyn hoodlum lawyer.

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Inasmuch as information furnished by informant has become common gossip in Brooklyn, pertinent details as furnished by informant were disseminated to Detective [redacted] 61st Squad, Brooklyn, NY. [redacted] related that [redacted] was driven to Coney Island Hospital by unknown person and was booked in at 1:40 p.m., Monday, 5/6/68. [redacted] related [redacted] refuses to answer any questions and no information whatsoever had been developed concerning instant shooting.

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[redacted]  
furnish any pertinent developments to FBI, NY.

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On 5/14 and 15/68, informant advised he had heard that BENNY LO CICERO claims to have "connections" at Coney Island Hospital and will learn when police are no longer close to [redacted]. LO CICERO claims he will then obtain a doctor's bag, dress as a doctor, and thereafter proceed to bedside of [redacted] where he will "finish him".

On 5/14/68, Detective [redacted] 61st Squad, NYCPD, advised of above information. [redacted] related that his precinct, in company with the 66th Precinct, as well as police ballistics, had conducted numerous interviews and an intensive search of social club mentioned by informant as being site of shooting. [redacted] related a number of holes of suspicious nature were found, but they were unable to locate any spent bullets. [redacted] advised this was done by his department the previous week and new information reflecting that another attempt would be made on [redacted] life may possibly be as a result of their open investigation at social club, which has probably created belief that [redacted] is cooperating with police. [redacted] stated his department intends to vigorously pursue this shooting and police officers would remain at Coney Island Hospital.

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On 6/20/68, informant advised on this date he had been summoned by JOSEPH COLOMBO at which time COLOMBO advised he was extremely upset over the way the attempted assassination of [redacted] had been "botched" and feels that [redacted] present existence is embarrassing to him personally and has damaged his reputation. For this reason, informant advised, COLOMBO told him that he had learned [redacted] had been discharged from Coney Island Hospital and was most desirous that [redacted] be killed. Informant said that COLOMBO on this occasion did not advise him who he had specifically chosen for this assignment and was of the opinion that COLOMBO intended to put out an "open contract" for [redacted] murder.

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CARMINE PERSICO  
AR  
NY 92-2895

On 5/8/68, informant advised he had recently learned that CARMINE PERSICO and SALLY D'AMBROSIO, recently released from prison, had spent weekends together at PERSICO's Kingston, NY home. Informant said he learned that both had approached JOE

[REDACTED]

COLOMBO and requested that D'AMBROSIO be made a "captain" in the COLOMBO "family". Both then requested carte blanche authority from COLOMBO to "start a new grave yard". Informant said he would attempt to determine details of this through JOE COLOMBO.

On 5/14/68, informant advised that throughout PERSICO's most recent hijacking trial he acted supremely confident that he would "beat the case", however, word is that due to last minute switch of juror, PERSICO "lost his edge". It is noted PERSICO's confidence is evidenced by information set out previously indicating PERSICO and SALLY D'AMBROSIO were attempting to obtain permission to "start a new graveyard" indicating he believed he would be free to go about his affairs.

Informant advised SALLY D'AMBROSIO's and CARMINE PERSICO's ambitions have caused great anxiety to JOSEPH COLOMBO, who believes now that PERSICO will probably be the greatest threat to COLOMBO's unquestioned leadership of "family".

[REDACTED]

AR  
NY 92-5084

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On 5/8/68, informant advised he is familiar with [REDACTED] and stated that [REDACTED] is not an LCN member, however, [REDACTED] is considered to be in JOSEPH COLOMBO's private "crew". Informant explained that COLOMBO has a number of individuals around him whom he uses for various activities and that many of these individuals are not LCN members, but might in the future be considered for membership. Informant said [REDACTED] had been used extensively by COLOMBO to front for COLOMBO's gambling interests. Informant said [REDACTED] at the present time is deeply in debt and owes many people large sums of money.

JERRY LANGELLA  
AR  
NY 92-5085

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Informant advised he is familiar with LANGELLA and is aware that LANGELLA is not an LCN member. Informant said, however, that LANGELLA is trusted by PERSICO and is considered to be in PERSICO's "crew", the same as [REDACTED] is with COLOMBO.

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-3154

On 5/14/68, informant learned the following:

[redacted] advised informant that he had been approached with approximately one half million dollars in jewelry, which had been the result of a stickup in NYC approximately two weeks previously. [redacted] advised informant that the individuals who pulled this job were from out of town, but are apparently staying in NY until this deal can be consummated. [redacted] related that he had approached PETE FERRARA, asking FERRARA to put up between \$100,000 and \$200,000 so that [redacted] could handle the entire load. [redacted] also mentioned that all the pieces stolen are untouched and in their original state.

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Informant advised PETIE PUMPS FERRARA probably has one of the most lucrative numbers business in NY and that [redacted] on a weekly basis carries a brown paper bag with a considerable amount of cash [redacted] bank, which is located at 75th Street and 13th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, and this money is kept in a safety deposit box at that bank.

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[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-4471

On 5/13/68, a photo of ROBERT LINO was displayed to informant and he advised this individual is identical with the BOBBY previously mentioned by him, who had been delivering pornography and otherwise [redacted] Informant on the same date furnished a list of available films presently being handled by [redacted] and advised that in addition to these there were 11 more new films.

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Informant advised that he would attempt to purchase the newest films presently being made by [redacted]

Informant advised during this conversation [redacted] said that SAM CURATOLA, who was murdered gangland style on 3/19/68, was definitely an informer and that [redacted] was not the first person to be "given up" by CURATOLA. During this conversation,

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[redacted]

[redacted] strongly hinted to informant that [redacted]  
[redacted] but informant advised it was his opinion that  
[redacted] would not have enough "guts".

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b7C -2

On 6/5/68, informant advised at the present time  
[redacted]  
in the local transportation of obscene film and that he had  
recently observed [redacted] on 8th Avenue between 68th and  
69th Streets in a store on the right-hand side of the street  
going south, which apparently houses some type moving business.  
Informant said he had observed [redacted] carrying packages from  
this location into an old model station wagon and informant is  
of the opinion that this location may be a storage point in  
connection with his obscene film business.

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Informant recalled that approximately two weeks  
previously while at the wake of LARRY GALLO, he overheard [redacted]  
mention to JOE COLOMBO that "they weren't sure but believed their  
place was being staked out by the police and, therefore, they  
had to move out of their laboratory in Brooklyn approximately  
one week previously".



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

Mr. DeLoach

DATE

6/27/68

FROM

J. H. Gale

CONF. INFO

SUBJECT

[REDACTED]

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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SAC, New York, recommends authority be granted to continue payments to the above-captioned top echelon informant [REDACTED] on a strictly C.O.D. basis. Special Investigative Division concurs in this recommendation.

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## DETAILS:

The above-captioned source has been a top echelon informant since March, 1962. He is an extremely valuable informant and one of the most effective informants developed in connection with the Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program.

The informant, age 39, is a veteran member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). His arrest record dates back to 1950 and includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment and consorting. By virtue of his membership in LCN, he was one of the original Bureau sources who furnished detailed and specific data regarding the hierarchy of LCN. The informant has identified over 200 members of LCN in the New York-New Jersey area. He has furnished extensive information relating to the criminal endeavors of numerous LCN members and the racket associates.

In the recent past, he has continued to be productive and to identify individuals as members of LCN. For example, he identified all of the Joe Colombo "family" who reside in New Jersey and operating under caporegime Joseph Vacorelli.

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REC-7 [REDACTED] 106  
In May, 1968, our source reported that Joe Colombo had personally issued a "contract" to murder Brooklyn hoodlum [REDACTED]. According to our source, Colombo instructed that [REDACTED] be shot and left lying in the street as an example to others who might have the affront to make threats against members of LCN. Informant advised the contract was given to Frank LoCicero who shot [REDACTED] was listed as being in critical condition following the shooting. The New York Office disseminated information relating to this attempted murder to the New York City Police Department.

Enc. 6-28-68

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Gale

1 - MF Row 6221 IB

1 - [REDACTED]

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

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Re: [redacted]

In January, 1968, one case of gold jewelry was stolen from Olympic Airways, John F. Kennedy Airport, New York City. The informant determined that [redacted] was attempting to purchase the loot. He subsequently advised that [redacted] purchased the stolen jewelry and had displayed in a china closet located in his living room two of the jewel encrusted cups which were included in the theft.

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The informant's information was promptly forwarded to our Miami Office and following appropriate investigative steps a search warrant was obtained for [redacted] Twenty-four pieces of jewelry which were contained in the shipment were recovered, for a recovery value of \$305,000. In addition, [redacted] charged with possession of goods stolen in foreign commerce.

The informant has recently been informed by Colombo that he is considering elevating him to the rank of caporegima in LCN. This source has established that on a continuous basis he can provide extremely significant data not available from other sources and has an exceptional potential to continue in this regard.

ACTION:

It is recommended that the New York Office be authorized to pay this source [redacted] on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six month period. Attached for your approval is an appropriate letter.

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SAC, New York [redacted]

August 21, 1968

Director, FBI [redacted]

TECIP [redacted]

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Gale  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - Mr. Row  
1 - [redacted]

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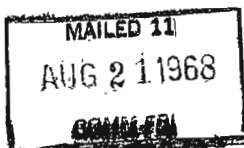
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Re New York airtel, August 16, 1968.

Authority is granted to make a lump-sum payment to captioned informant in the amount of [redacted]. This payment is in recognition for his valuable services in connection with the Theft from Interstate Shipment cases involving one case of gold jewelry stolen from the Olympic Airlines in January, 1968, and the armed robbery of Olympic Airlines on July 28, 1968. It is noted that the theft of the jewelry led to the recovery of a substantial amount of jewelry stolen in other robberies elsewhere in the country.

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NOTE: See memorandum J. H. Gale to Mr. DeLoach, 8/19/68, ARW:jny, captioned as above.



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DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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Date: 8/16/68

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

CONF. INFT.SUBJECT: TECIP

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Re NY tel, 11/29/67, captioned, "LCN. AR - CONSPIRACY";  
Miami letter to Bureau, 4/10/68, captioned, ITSP - TJT, and NY tel, 8/2/68, captioned, "UNSUBS (4);  
Armed Robbery of Olympic Airlines, JFK Airport, NYC, NY,  
7/28/68, TFIS - TECIP".

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This informant was reopened by the NYO on 6/19/67,  
and since 9/5/67, has been regularly paid informant receiving

Payments in this regard have been more than justified  
by a constant flow of accurate and valuable information re  
LCN activities, identifications of new heretofore unknown  
members and general background information concerning  
individuals in LCN of interest to the Bureau which would not  
be available from any other source. It is noted that this  
informant is one of the most highly placed informants currently  
being operated by the Bureau in LCN activities, who enjoys  
a trusted and respected relationship with LCN bosses JOSEPH  
COLOMBO and CARLO GAMBINO. It is felt that the regular  
information furnished by the informant referred to above  
completely justifies his payment.

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This communication is being prepared to bring to the  
attention of the Bureau three spectacular cases perfected  
and furnished by this informant since his reopening, which it  
is felt justifies an exceptional payment. After careful

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3 - Bureau  
1 - New York

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted]

consideration by the NYO it is felt the outstanding accomplishments obtained from these cases by the Bureau would justify a lump sum payment to the informant in the amount [redacted] There follows a brief description of these three cases.

LCN  
AR - CONSPIRACY

On 11/17/67, informant advised he heard JAMES FAILLA, a "captain" in the CARLO GAMBINO "family", was operating an illegal game in Brooklyn and that numerous members of the GAMBINO "family" were regular attendees.

Informant immediately went to work to determine the exact location of this game and spent many nights in contact with GAMBINO members to ingratiate himself with them in an effort to be invited to the rumored "big-time" game. The informant was successful in his efforts and the location of the game was appropriately furnished to the NYCPD and on 11/26/67, this game was raided by 15 detectives and 14 known LCN members, 4 suspected LCN members as well as 19 other individuals were arrested, making a total of 38 arrests. These arrests received widespread newspaper publicity in the NY Press. It is also noted the significance of these arrests was specifically referred to by the US Attorney General in a recent press release concerning Bureau statistics in the field of organized crime.

[redacted]  
ITSP - TJT

UNSUBS; Theft of One Case  
of Gold Jewelry, Olympic  
Airways, # 05041699,  
Olympic Cargo Area, JFK, NY  
1/12 - 15/68  
TFIS

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b7C -2,4

On 1/29/68, informant advised that [redacted]

[redacted]  
case, came to NYC on 1/21/68, and bought above captioned jewelry for \$10,000.00. Informant said NYCPD Detective, [redacted] 20th

CLEMENTE-577

[redacted]  
Precinct, who had handled shipments of swag from NYC to [redacted]  
in [redacted]st, had arranged to ship the above load to [redacted]

On 3/8/68, informant advised that [redacted] had two cups, which were part of captioned theft, on display in the living room of his apartment [redacted]. Acting on this lead [redacted] was interviewed on a pretext [redacted]. FBI Agents verified the fact these cups were in [redacted] living room. As a result of this observation, two search warrants were obtained; part of captioned shipment was located in [redacted] apartment, and additionally approximately \$450,000.00 worth of jewelry was likewise seized by Bureau Agents. [redacted] was indicted for possession of stolen goods and since then almost all of the seized jewelry has been identified as being part of the "loot" in five other major cases, which were investigated by the Bureau in Chicago, New York, Atlanta, and Miami. At present, it is anticipated [redacted] will be indicted on at least three additional charges of possession of stolen goods.

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UNSUBS (4); Armed Robbery of  
Olympic Airlines, JFK Airport,  
NYC, NY 7/28/68  
TFIS - TECIP

On 8/1/68, informant advised he had learned the location where the freight stolen in above robbery was stored. In addition, informant advised that this "drop" had windows on the street from which the load could be seen and that he had personally left a number of cases from this load in close proximity to this window with the markings facing the window. Subsequently, based on information furnished by the informant, Agents of the NYO proceeded to the drop, observed the merchandise through windows, and thereafter obtained a search warrant. As a result, almost the entire shipment was recovered, which resulted in a recovery of merchandise having a retail value in excess of \$500,000.00.

Since informant has identified the "finger man" at Olympic Airlines as well as the "lookout" for the drop, and the

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[redacted]  
"operator" of the drop, USA, EDNY, anticipates the "lookout",  
[redacted] will be indicted for perjury and conspiracy,  
6/21/68.

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Informant continues to be indebted to JOSEPH COLOMBO and CARLO GAMBINO in the amount of almost \$20,000.00, and in connection with the latter case, informant was invited by COLOMBO to "middle" this load in which event informant stood a good chance to make \$15,000.00 - \$20,000.00 in profit. Notwithstanding his perilous financial condition and the fact he could easily make an enormous profit, he most willingly sacrificed this to assist the Bureau.

As has been previously pointed out, informant feels that he would likely be COLOMBO's first choice in the event a new "captain" is made in the COLOMBO "family". Informant has further pointed out on a number of occasions, however, that COLOMBO insists his "captains" be financially independent so that they are in a position to assist their "crew" rather than be a burden to them.

Informant has also advised that he is "partners" with JOE COLOMBO in a gambling action in which COLOMBO appears to share in the profits, but not in any losses. This operation of late has been losing heavily, which has added to informant's financial plight.

In summary, based on the magnitude of above accomplishments; the fact that informant's position would be greatly enhanced in LCN; that informant has made a personal sacrifice, not to mention his personal safety, it is strongly urged the Bureau give favorable consideration to a lump sum payment to informant of [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New York, New York  
July 1, 1968

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ONE INFT.  
NEW YORK SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]

NEW YORK FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

BUREAU FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

The above individual is a regularly paid Top Echelon Criminal Informant of the New York Office. This informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable. He has not furnished any information known to be false.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO Mr. DeLoach

DATE August 19, 1968

FROM J. H. Gale

CONF. INFT.

SUBJECT

TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT PROGRAM

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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SAC, New York, has recommended a lump-sum payment of [redacted] be made to this informant for the magnitude of his accomplishments in the solution of Theft from Interstate Shipment matters in recent months. The Special Investigative Division recommends a lump-sum payment in the amount of [redacted]

This informant, age 39, is a veteran member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra in New York City. His arrest record dates back to 1950 and includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment and consorting. He has been a top echelon criminal informant since March, 1962, and has been in a regularly paid status since September 5, 1967, receiving up to \$600 per month. Informant believes he is in line to be a "captain" in the Colombo "family." Informant is presently indebted to La Cosa Nostra bosses Colombo and Carlo Gambino for almost \$20,000 due to recent heavy gambling losses.

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In January, 1968, the informant reported that [redacted] purchased a case of gold jewelry which had been stolen from the Olympic Airlines at New York, New York. Based on additional information furnished by the informant in March, 1968, Agents [redacted] verified that [redacted] had possession of some of the stolen merchandise. Through use of search warrants, part of the jewelry was located in [redacted] apartment, as well as additional valuable jewelry. Over \$200,000 worth of this jewelry has been identified as part of the "loot" from five other major theft cases. There is still some of the jewelry in [redacted] possession to be identified. b2 -2

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On August 1, 1968, the informant furnished information concerning the whereabouts of the merchandise stolen in the armed robbery of the Olympic Airlines on July 28, 1968, at New York, New York. The informant had personally examined the loot in a warehouse

Enc. *sent* 8-21-68

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. Row
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

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Re: [redacted]

and informed that he left a number of cases facing the window through which the markings could be verified. Special Agents of the New York Office proceeded to the "drop," observed the merchandise, and were thereby able to obtain a search warrant. The shipment was almost entirely recovered and consisted of Italian knit-wear goods with the Customs declared value of \$78,000 and a retail value of approximately \$400,000. The informant has also identified the "finger man" at the Olympic Airlines as well as the "lookout" for the "drop."

ACTION:

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It is recommended that a lump-sum payment of [redacted] be made to New York top echelon informant [redacted] in payment for his outstanding service in providing the vital information leading to the recovery of over \$200,000 in stolen jewelry and \$400,000 in Italian knit-wear merchandise. The informant spent substantial amounts of time and is in extreme personal danger should it become known to his fellow La Cosa Nostra members that he has been cooperating with the FBI. Attached is a letter to SAC, New York, authorizing this payment.

*Handwritten notes and signatures:*  
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[Other illegible signatures and initials]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/5/68

FROM : *[Signature]*

SAC, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT:

CONF. INFT.

TECIP

Re Bureau letter, 6/28/68.

Informant was paid [redacted] on 7/30/68, for information furnished during the period 6/5 - 7/4/68, and [redacted] on 8/16/68, for information furnished during the period 7/5 - 8/4/68. In addition, informant was also given a lump sum payment of [redacted] on 8/23/68, for information furnished on a number of outstanding cases and for some major recoveries made by the Bureau.

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Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

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NY 92-3154

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On 6/30/68, informant advised in connection with the recent armed robbery of [redacted] in downtown NYC, that this was, in fact, a bona fide robbery in which the thief or thieves had also stolen a pistol belonging to [redacted]. Informant said that during the previous week he heard that one of the individuals involved in this robbery had been arrested by the NYCPD after this person, whose name he does not know, entered into an argument, pulled a gun, and shot the person he was arguing with. [redacted] advised informant that the police had told him they had traced this gun and it was the same gun which had been stolen. [redacted] advised he intended to try to "spring" this individual to determine the identity of the person who set up the robbery of [redacted].

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - New York
- 1 - New York

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EX-101

CLEMENTE-585



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-4471

On 7/19/68, informant advised that he had just learned that [redacted] intended to move to Staten Island in the near future and was purchasing a house somewhere in the vicinity of the Verrazano - Narrows Bridge.

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-3251

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On 7/19/68, informant advised that [redacted] is very sick [redacted] and is considered by members of the COLOMBO "family" to be [redacted] and for all intents and purposes to be "dead". Informant said [redacted] is only tolerated because he is a "good fellow" and he has not really embarrassed anyone except himself.

ANTHONY RICCARDI  
AR  
NY 92-3201

On 7/19/68, informant advised that RICCARDI, who was an LCN member in the COLOMBO "family" under CARMINE PERSICO, had in the past been bookmaking. Informant said he had not heard anything which would indicate that RICCARDI is in any major criminal activity at the present time.

JOSEPH MUTOLI  
AR  
NY 92-2891

Informant advised on 8/16/68, that he is familiar with JOSEPH MUTOLI, who he stated was in the regime of SIMONE ANDOLINO. Informant stated that MUTOLI is not in good health, is not active at all in any criminal activities and is strictly a "social member" of the COLOMBO "family".

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[REDACTED]  
UNSUBS (4); Armed Robbery  
Olympic Airlines, John F.  
Kennedy Airport NYC 7/28/68;  
[REDACTED]

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TFIS; PERJURY  
NY 15-49188

Informant was contacted on a daily basis since 7/29/68, and instructed to attempt to determine details concerning captioned robbery.

On 7/31/68, informant advised that earlier on that date he was summoned by JOE COLOMBO, who advised he and CARLO GAMBINO had been approached to buy instant load. COLOMBO furnished limited samples to informant and was instructed to contact known reliable fences and get an offer for all or part of the load. Upon instruction, informant pressed COLOMBO for further specifics regarding contents of load and finally on 8/1/68, was sent to BUDDY SCIANDRA, described by informant as a cousin of CARLO GAMBINO, who then took informant to drop where informant proceeded to make complete inventory of contents. Subsequently, on 8/1/68, informant advised of location of drop and fact the drop had windows on street from which load could be seen. Informant also indicated he had left a number of cases in close proximity of this window with markings facing same. Informant said the load would have a retail value in excess of one half million dollars.

Accordingly, Bureau Agents proceeded to drop and through windows made positive identification of merchandise. Warehouse was then guarded by Bureau Agents while others proceeded to the EDNY, where search warrant was obtained. The warehouse was entered and 275 cases of assorted stolen merchandise were seized.

No one was on the premises when the search warrant was executed.

On 8/2/68, informant advised he met [REDACTED] and learned that [REDACTED] was the [REDACTED] in instant theft; that [REDACTED] other jobs at the airport; that [REDACTED] was attempting to interest informant in large amount of "hot" diamond dust; that [REDACTED] and was "high living" type individual.

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On 8/2 and 6/68, informant advised that individual who rented drop to thieves as [redacted] (INU) described as [redacted]

Informant said [redacted] supposedly rented drop from owner and had not used same for approximately 6 months since drop was "hot", but that before this drop was regularly used for stolen loads and owner given \$1,000.00 for each use. Informant said he met with [redacted] on 8/1/68, at which time [redacted] advised he had man in neighborhood acting as lookout and was a "stand-up type guy".

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On 8/6/68, the Polaroid photo taken of [redacted] was displayed to informant, who advised that although their physical descriptions are somewhat similar, [redacted] definitely was not identical with [redacted] (INU), above.

On 8/16/68, informant advised JOSEPH COLOMBO is enraged over FBI recovery of above merchandise which cost him a large sum of money. COLOMBO told informant if the identity of the person who cooperated with the FBI is discovered, he desired that this person be hung in front of his home so as to be an example for all to see what happens to police informants.

[redacted] apprehended 8/26/68, on perjury charges, arraigned and released on own recognizance on same date, pleading set for 9/12/68. [redacted] again denied talking to person observed by him at drop at 89 14th Street, Brooklyn, NY, or going into drop. He identified person he saw outside drop as a person who used to "shape up" or report daily for work at the drop about 1 1/2 years ago. This person should therefore be known to [redacted] used this drop and/or [redacted] employees at that time.

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It is to be noted exact recovery value of the above load is \$531,000.00.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New York, New York  
November 1, 1968

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NEW YORK SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]  
NEW YORK FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]  
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The above individual is a regularly paid criminal informant of the New York Office. This informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable. He has never furnished any information known to be false.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/5/68

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TECIP

Re NY letter dated 9/5/68.

On 9/18/68, informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 8/5 through 9/4/68, and on 10/16/68, informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 9/5/68 through 10/4/68.

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Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

The following is a summary of information furnished by informant since re NY letter.

NICHOLAS FORLANO  
AR  
NY File 92-2086

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During early and mid September, numerous contacts were had with informant and from pieces of information furnished to him, the following began to emerge:

Informant stated that JIGGS FORLANO had formerly been a shylocking partner with RUBY STEIN and that after RUBY STEIN went to prison, STEIN turned over his affairs to his [redacted] had continued to collect monies owed to him, but had apparently not made any loans and primarily interested himself in gambling. JIGGS FORLANO who had had a reputation of being well-off financially has apparently lost much of this money and at the present time is desirous of making a "large score". FORLANO thereafter approached JOE COLOMBO (NY 92-1965) and advised COLOMBO that he was aware that [redacted] had a suitcase containing at least a half million dollars in cash and that this suitcase was kept in [redacted]

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[redacted]  
[redacted] FORLANO told COLOMBO that by using the guise that he, FORLANO, had been grabbed by police and his apartment searched might be able to convince [redacted] that the police would then go to his [redacted] apartment and there discover this large cache of money. COLOMBO thereafter arranged that [redacted] (NY 92-4471) [redacted] (NY 92-3196) together with some members of their respective crews, proceed with FORLANO's scheme in an effort to chase [redacted] out of his [redacted] with this suitcase and that they then should approach [redacted] identify themselves as police officers and take away the suitcase which would then be brought to COLOMBO. Informant said this plan was then put into effect, however, [redacted] stationed themselves in the vicinity of [redacted] home, FORLANO used the above guise and [redacted] became so panic stricken that he was able to leave the building with the suitcase before they were able to apprehend him.

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Informant said he believes now that this scheme will not be used again, but that FORLANO may attempt another trick in the future.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY File 92-1965

Informant said in early October, 1968, [redacted] (NY 92-4471) approached informant and advised that he, informant, and PERAINO together with JOSEPH IANOCCHI, were to meet later that week with JOE COLOMBO concerning a "score" which PERAINO had inside information on. Informant said subsequently it developed that PERAINO had a contact at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital, NYC, and had developed information that every Monday morning a large amount of cash was transported from the hospital to a nearby bank and that it would be a simple thing to steal the cash while in transit. Informant said, however, that COLOMBO of necessity

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would have to invite two members of the PAUL SCIACCA "family" to participate in this robbery. Subsequently, informant advised that he, IANOCCHI, PERAINO, JOE COLOMBO, PAUL SCIACCA (NY 92-6641) presently head of the formerly BONANNO "family" and two of SCIACCA's [REDACTED] (LNU) [REDACTED] (LNU), had a meeting whereby they discussed this possible robbery. At this time informant learned that [REDACTED] had been convicted of two previous felonies.

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Informant said JOE COLOMBO subsequently dispatched informant to case the hospital on two successive Monday mornings at which time informant learned that one of the guards accompanying the transportation of the cash was armed and appeared to be a young, eager Puerto Rican who appeared to be "looking for trouble". Informant confided that just from the appearance of this individual he felt that it would be necessary to kill this person in order to effect this robbery. It is noted because of informant's delicate position in the COLOMBO "family" and inasmuch as a possible homicide might occur, it did not appear to be possible to disseminate this information without either compromising informant or possibly having informant become involved in a homicide. Informant, upon direction, immediately went to COLOMBO and insisted that he would not participate in such an undertaking with [REDACTED] (LNU), above, inasmuch as [REDACTED] (LNU) had been previously convicted of two felonies and in the event he were caught, he would face a possible life sentence and informant was able to convince JOE that this would be too great a risk in the commission of a robbery which would probably necessitate a homicide. Informant said COLOMBO thereafter brought this to the attention of SCIACCA and after much haggling, it was decided that this robbery would not be perpetrated.

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NY File 92-4471

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On 10/23/68, informant advised that he had previously furnished information concerning one ROBERT LINO

[redacted]

and that during a recent conversation with COLOMBO, COLOMBO advised that LINO's brother, first name EDWARD, had been getting "completely out of hand", had pulled a number of robberies in Brooklyn which hurt certain members of his "family" and that this individual was carrying a gun and becoming overly aggressive with COLOMBO's LCN "family". COLOMBO thereafter instructed JOSEPH PERAINO to attempt to learn this individual's activities so that PERAINO might be able to "set him up for a hit". Informant related he has not learned who COLOMBO will select to actually kill this individual.

It is to be noted the files of the NYO contain a deserter case for ROBERT LINO who is identical with individual previously mentioned by informant, however, a review of this file and other investigation has failed to develop the identity of EDWARD LINO.

On 10/28/68, informant advised that during a recent conversation he had with an individual known only to him as [redacted] (ph), who informant described as being [redacted] who was close to [redacted]

[redacted] (NY 92-2690) and [redacted] confided to informant that he and others not further identified had pulled a number of major scores at Kennedy Airport which included the palladium theft as well as the major theft of American Express Traveler's Checks and that these robberies had come off very smoothly. This individual advised informant that their success was attributable to the fact that [redacted] because of his position at the airport, was able to determine the most valuable details on which they could base their plans.

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On 11/4/68, informant positively identified a photograph of [redacted] as being identical with [redacted] previously mentioned.

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[REDACTED]  
JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY File 92-1965

On 11/4/68, informant advised that on the previous night he had [REDACTED] and that there he saw JOSEPH COLOMBO, who the Thursday previously (10/31/68) had suffered a slight stroke which left his face slightly paralyzed on the left side.

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Informant said also in attendance was CARLO GAMBINO as well as most of the LCN members from the GAMBINO and COLOMBO "families". Informant said this affair was held at the Queens Terrace, Roosevelt Avenue, Queens, NY.

GONDOLFO SCIANDRA  
AR  
NY File 92-2922

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On 9/4/68, informant advised he had also met SCIANDRA at [REDACTED] during the previous night at which time SCIANDRA confided to informant that he had a "drop" in Staten Island which was extremely active and profitable to both himself and JOE COLOMBO. SCIANDRA boasted that during one night, five loads were brought into this drop and that he had recently received a \$250,000 load of drugs which had been stolen from New Jersey which was also temporarily at this drop. Informant was instructed to attempt to determine the location of this drop.

1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Gale  
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1 - Mr. M. F. ROW, RM. 6221, I.B.  
1 @ Mr. Kelly 1/2/69

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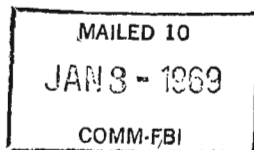
Approval granted to continue payments to the above-captioned source  on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period effective 1/5/69. This authority includes monies to pay for services rendered as well as expenses incurred by the informant at the specific request of your office.

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Keep in mind the necessity to vary payments in line with the value of the informant's services. Make certain he does not receive the impression he is receiving a regular salary.

Furnish the Bureau progress letters by 3/5/69 and 5/5/69 containing a concise summary on significant data provided by the informant. Submit recommendations regarding continued payments two weeks prior to the expiration of this authority.

NOTE: See Gale to DeLoach memo captioned same, dated 12/31/68, JEK:mjj



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/20/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: CONFIDENTIAL

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Re NY letter, 11/6/68.

Informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished by him during the period 10/5 - 11/4/68, and [redacted] for information furnished during the period 11/5 through 12/4/68.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

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Informant continues to be contacted regularly, and is furnishing both intelligence information and information concerning specific violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction. It is therefore recommended that he be continued as a regularly paid informant and receive the maximum of [redacted] for information furnished as well as expenses incurred.

It is to be noted that as previously pointed out, informant learned from GONDOLFO SCIANDRA (NY 92-2922) of a "drop" in Staten Island which was extremely active. In this regard informant advised that he would attempt to discreetly determine the location of this drop. Throughout the months of October and November, 1968, informant was attempting to devise the manner in which he could, without compromising his position, determine the location of this drop. It was then decided that if informant could learn of a "temporary drop" being used in Brooklyn which might lead to the discovery of the Staten Island location, he would immediately advise the NYO.

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UNSUBS (2); Theft of Mack  
Tractor, Rhode Island License  
13384, and 40 foot Aluminum  
Trailer, #2832, Containing  
Approximately 900 Cases of  
Cigarettes, Hemingway Transport  
Company, Brooklyn, NY, 11/27/68  
TFIS - ARMED HIJACKING  
NY 15-50976

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[REDACTED]

UNSUBS (3); Theft of 1961 GMC,  
NJ Plate X4F214, and Strick  
Trailer, NJ Plate TH1973,  
Containing Kodak Photo Equipment,  
Colonial Express, NY, 11/14/68  
TFIS - ARMED HIJACKING  
NY 15-50757

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In the late PM of 11/27/68, informant advised that earlier that date he had been offered a trailer load of cigarettes, which had been hijacked the same date and which were intended for export. Informant said the asking price for this load was approximately \$50,000 and the tractor trailer as well as two rental trucks were then at the "drop location", a Shell service station at 86th Street and 50th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. Informant said [REDACTED] was extremely nervous because of the presence of this load and that it was being moved out as quickly as possible. He related that he would therefore re-visit this location to determine if this load was still there.

Later on 11/27/68, informant advised the cigarette load was still at that location and in addition he learned another stolen load was also at that drop, but was unable to determine any details concerning this latter load.

Informant stated that the load was handled by three individuals whose names at present he only knows as [REDACTED] (LNU), [REDACTED] (LNU), [REDACTED] all of whom hung out [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY.

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Informant furnished descriptions of these individuals and is attempting to develop additional identifying data.

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Immediately after receipt of above information, a surveillance was instituted by the NYO. This surveillance continued through 11/28/68, and after sufficient activity at the drop was observed, making it apparent that numerous other individuals had also been approached to purchase above loads, and after it became apparent that these loads would not be transferred to Staten Island, agents of the NYO arrested [REDACTED] approximately one mile from the drop after he was observed loading a truck with approximately 100 cases of stolen cigarettes. Thereafter, [REDACTED]

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A resulting search disclosed an additional 550 cases of stolen cigarettes (making a recovery of \$65,000 in stolen cigarettes) as well as an Avis rental truck containing approximately 500 cartons of Kodak photo equipment, having a wholesale value of \$56,000.

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AR - CONSPIRACY  
NY 92-2300

During numerous contacts with informant in December, 1968, he advised that on the evening of 12/4/68, he attended a Christmas party given by JOSEPH COLOMBO for those "soldiers" directly under him as well as a number of "captains". Informant said this "get-together" was held at the home of COLOMBO's brother-in-law, MIKE SAVINO (NY 92-3408) and in addition to SAVINO and COLOMBO, the following also attended:

NICK BIANCO, NY 92-3407

[REDACTED]

GREGORY SCARPA, NY 92-2657  
DUKE SANTORO, NY 92-2668  
JOHN CUTRONE, NY 92-3187  
CHARLES MINEO, "underboss", COLOMBO "family", NY 92-3324  
DICK FUSCO, NY 92-2671  
CARMINE PERSICO, NY 92-2895

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JOHN ODDO, NY 92-673  
DOMINICK SCIALO, NY 92-2107  
VINCENT ALOI, NY 92-3190

[REDACTED]



[REDACTED]

Informant said that COLOMBO gave ties as a Christmas present to those present and thereafter in a very formal manner removed some notes from his pocket and gave a speech. COLOMBO at the outset advised that JOE BONANNO was no longer recognized as a Cosa Nostra "boss" and lost all stature in Cosa Nostra (COLOMBO's words). COLOMBO then said that PAUL SCIACCA is now the "boss" of the former BONANNO "family" and FRANK MARI is recognized as "underboss". COLOMBO also then read off the "boss", "underboss" and "consulieri" of all the "families" (COLOMBO's words) in the tri-state area (New York, New Jersey and Connecticut), and in addition to BONANNO the only significant changes recalled by informant was that STEVE LA SALLA was "acting boss" in the LUCHESE "family" until a new hierarchy was appointed by the "Commission". Informant also recalled COLOMBO stated that NEIL DELLACROCE would be turning over his "soldiers" [REDACTED] who informant knows as [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY and that [REDACTED] would be officially recognized as [REDACTED] DELLACROCE would now devote his full time as "underboss" with CARLO GAMBINO. COLOMBO also advised that VITO GENOVESE would soon be released from prison, that he would again be afforded the respect he received in the past, and that there would probably be a number of changes made in the GENOVESE "family".

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Informant recalled that COLOMBO then began to give a history of Cosa Nostra and "Our Thing", terms interchangeably used by COLOMBO during his speech. COLOMBO explained that the first "family" came from Sicily and settled in New Orleans and inasmuch as they were the predecessor of all subsequent "families" have always been afforded the highest respect and esteem and have always maintained themselves highly. In fact, COLOMBO pointed out that whereas other "families" would have to go to the "Commission", of which COLOMBO proudly boasted being a member, the New Orleans "family", because of this exalted position, could make decisions on its own. COLOMBO then cited the example that at the present time the New Orleans "family" under MARCELLO had only five remaining members, the "boss", "underboss", "consulieri", and two "soldiers", the youngest of which was either 44 or 46 years of age, and face the possibility of dying out unless new members were made. COLOMBO said New Orleans could have, on its own, "opened the books", but because of the tact and diplomacy of MARCELLO, went before the "Commission" for approval in making new "soldiers", which the "Commission"

[REDACTED]

naturally granted. (Informant believes this was the reason for the La Stella Restaurant meeting). Informant said COLOMBO then explained that in the near future, New Orleans would be enlarging its "family" and that if anyone heard of new members being "made", this would not be the case in the tri-state area. COLOMBO said that there would be no new members made in this area in the foreseeable future and, in fact, began a harangue on how they must "weed out" the undesired ones.

COLOMBO then began to talk of a "long time member" in another "family", who in the past had brought much disrespect and shame to "Our Thing". COLOMBO said it had recently been discovered that this individual was in daily contact with the FBI and has become an informer. COLOMBO then in an aside discussion with CARMINE PERSICO related how he, COLOMBO, would probably receive the contract to kill this disgraceful individual. COLOMBO said that he himself was proud of the manner in which these present had conducted themselves, but recommended that they must be ever vigilant in their associations and in talking about "Our Thing"; that it should be very jealously guarded and kept from becoming common knowledge.

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PERSONAL ATTENTION

Reurlet 12/20/68 and New York airtel dated 1/2/69  
captioned, "La Cosa Nostra, AR - Conspiracy."

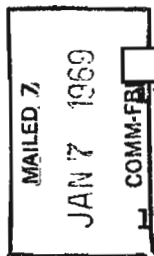
Referenced communications report the above-captioned  
source advised Joe Colombo stated that a "long-time member"  
in another family was in daily contact with the FBI and  
has become an informant. This source also advised that  
Colombo was of the opinion that he would probably receive  
the contract to kill this disgraceful individual.

Appropriate personnel should be reminded of the  
urgent necessity to afford complete security to our top  
echelon informants and other sources. Carefully review your  
current procedures for meetings with member-informants and  
other sensitive sources and make certain that all contacts take  
place under absolutely secure conditions.

Keep in mind that dissemination of information from  
your informants must be handled in line with existing  
instructions. All Agents conducting interviews in connection  
with the Criminal Intelligence Program or contacting police  
officials must insure their sources are not inadvertently  
identified by revealing data emanating from such sources.

This matter should be closely followed with [redacted]  
and in the event any additional information is received,  
it should be promptly forwarded.

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CLEMENTE-599

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO Mr. DeLoach

DATE 12/31/68

FROM J. H. Gale

SUBJECT

CONF. INVT.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is to recommend continued payments to [redacted] Special Agent in Charge (SAC), New York, requests authority to pay this source [redacted] on a C.O.D. basis.

He has been a top echelon informant since 1962 and is one of the most effective sources developed to date in the organized crime field. The informant is a long-time member of La Cosa Nostra and has been of material assistance to both intelligence and substantive investigations. In the recent past he furnished information regarding Theft from Interstate Shipment matters which led directly to one arrest and the recovery of stolen goods valued in excess of \$100,000 by Agents of our New York Office. The informant has also furnished current and accurate data regarding La Cosa Nostra activity. He identified Steve LaSalla as "acting boss" of the Luchese "family." He also identified Neil Dellacroce as being the "underboss" of the Gambino "family."

## ACTION:

In view of the proven capability of the informant to make available extremely valuable information, it is recommended the request of the New York Office be approved. Attached is an appropriate letter authorizing the New York Office to continue payments to this source [redacted] on a C.O.D. basis.

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. M. F. Row, Room 6221 I.B.
- 1 - Mr. Kelly

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

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Re: [REDACTED]

DETAILS:

SAC, New York, requests authority to continue payments to [REDACTED] on a C.O.D. basis.

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This source has been a top echelon informant since March, 1962. He is an extremely valuable informant and one of the most effective sources developed to date in the organized crime field.

The informant is a veteran member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra. His arrest record dates back to 1950 and it includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment. By virtue of his membership in La Cosa Nostra he was one of the original Bureau sources to furnish precise and specific data regarding the structure and membership of La Cosa Nostra. He has identified over 200 members of La Cosa Nostra in the New York - New Jersey area.

This source has been of substantial assistance to both intelligence and substantive investigations. In the recent past he provided detailed information regarding TFIS matters. As a direct result of information furnished by the informant one individual was arrested by Agents of the New York Office. In addition, stolen cigarettes valued at \$65,000 and Kodak photo equipment having a wholesale value of \$56,000 were recovered by the New York Office.

This source has also, on a continuing basis, provided extremely valuable data with respect to La Cosa Nostra activity in the New York area. As a result of meetings he had with Joe Colombo he identified Steve LaSalla as "acting boss" in the Luchese "family." He also advised that Neil Dellacroce will be "underboss" to Carlo Gambino. He identified [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Dellacroce's place as a ~~caporegima~~ <sup>caporegime</sup>. In addition to information of this nature, source reported that the New Orleans "family" of La Cosa Nostra had received approval of the "Commission" to accept new members into their group.

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SAC, New York [redacted]

Director, FBI [redacted]

January 7, 1969

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

1 - Mr. Gale

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Re your let 12-31-68.

Bureau authority granted to pay captioned informant lump sum of [redacted] for services rendered as cited in relet.

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NOTE: See A. Rosen to Mr. DeLoach memo dated 1-6-69 captioned, [redacted] TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT" LHB:ms.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/31/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT:

CONF. INFO.

Re New York letter to Bureau, 12/20/68.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

[REDACTED]  
UNSUBS (2); Theft of Mack Tractor, Rhode Island License 13384, and 40 foot Aluminum Trailer, #2832, Containing Approximately 900 Cases of Cigarettes, Hemingway Transport Company, Brooklyn, NY, 11/27/68  
TFIS - ARMED HIJACKING  
NY 15-50976

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[REDACTED]  
UNSUBS (3); Theft of 1961 GMC, NJ Plate X4F214, and Strick Trailer, NJ Plate TH1973, Containing Kodak Photo Equipment, Colonial Express, NY, 11/14/68  
TFIS - ARMED HIJACKING  
NY 15-50757

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It is noted in October, 1968, informant learned from GONDOLFO SCIANDRA aka Fat Buddy that he and JOE COLOMBO had an extremely secure and active "drop" in Staten Island. SCIANDRA advised on one occasion there were five "loads" in this drop and that one of these loads was worth \$240,000.00. Informant learned from SCIANDRA that Staten Island is the geographical answer to hijackings since it is contiguous to both New Jersey and New York, that is, loads taken in New Jersey can be stored in Staten Island and later sold in New York and vice versa.

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Because of the scale of this operation, informant was instructed to make every possible effort to learn the location of the drop.

During October and November, 1968, informant made many contacts in an effort to secure a load which would then enable him to approach SCIANDRA and request the specific location.

Because of the large amount of cash informant would need in this regard, it became apparent that this would not be a feasible means of determining this location. Instead, it was agreed that if informant was able to learn of a "temporary drop" which might lead to the Staten Island location, he should immediately obtain the details and advise the New York Office.

Thus, in the late PM of 11/27/68, informant advised that earlier that date he had been offered a trailer load of cigarettes, which had been hijacked the same date and which were intended for export. Informant said the asking price for this load was approximately \$50,000 and the tractor trailer as well as two rental trucks were then at the "drop location", a Shell service station at 86th Street and 50th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. Informant said the [REDACTED] was extremely nervous because of the presence of this load and that it was being moved out as quickly as possible. He related that he would therefore re-visit this location to determine if this load was still there.

Later on 11/27/68, informant advised the cigarette load was still at that location and in addition he learned another stolen load was also at that drop, but was unable to determine any details concerning this latter load.

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Informant stated that the load was handled by three individuals whose names at present he only knows as [REDACTED] (LNU), [REDACTED] (LNU), and [REDACTED] all of whom hung out in [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY. Informant furnished descriptions of these individuals and is attempting to develop additional identifying data.



[redacted]

Immediately after receipt of above information, a surveillance was instituted by the NYO. This surveillance continued through 11/28/68, and after sufficient activity at the drop was observed, making it apparent that numerous other individuals had also been approached to purchase above loads, and after it became apparent that these loads would not be transferred to Staten Island, agents of the NYO arrested [redacted] approximately one mile from the drop after he was observed loading a truck with approximately 100 cases of stolen cigarettes. Thereafter [redacted]

[redacted]

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A resulting search disclosed an additional 550 cases of stolen cigarettes (making a recovery of \$65,000 in stolen cigarettes) as well as an Avis rental truck containing approximately 500 cartons of Kodak photo equipment, having a wholesale value of \$56,000.

On 12/2/68, informant advised he was summoned by JOSEPH COLOMBO at which time COLOMBO advised him that in the past [redacted] had handled a load of TV sets at that drop and because of its nearness to Cantalupo Realty, COLOMBO warned [redacted] never to use the station as a drop inasmuch as COLOMBO considered this neighborhood is "back yard" and did not desire that [redacted] bring police "heat" there. COLOMBO asked informant to investigate this matter and advise him of the circumstances.

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Later on 12/2/68, informant returned to COLOMBO and advised COLOMBO that the load was actually owned by [redacted] and that [redacted] had rented the location to them through an intermediary [redacted] (PH). Informant said the load was being broken down into such small lots that numerous people became aware of the location and the activity that was going on there and [redacted]

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COLOMBO then instructed informant to get JOSEPH IANNACI and BUDDY SCIANDRA and that they should then "work over" [redacted] Informant said after they "roughed up" these individuals they were informed that they were [redacted] (a GAMBINO "soldier").

[redacted]

Two days later [redacted] contacted informant and a "sitdown" was arranged involving the above three individuals, [redacted] himself [redacted]. At the outset, informant advised that all of his actions are "on record" and were the specific instructions of JOE COLOMBO, who he was directly answerable to, and then spoke of COLOMBO's concern over the drop used by these individuals. [redacted] thereafter advised he felt that he should receive \$15,000.00, which he had personally lost in guaranteeing this load, and that [redacted] should be made to pay. Informant, however, insisted that it was because of the stupidity of [redacted] that the police learned of this location and that [redacted] could not be held accountable. Informant said at this point he advised [redacted] the meeting was over and if [redacted] had any further thoughts, he should go directly to JOE COLOMBO.

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Informant on 12/24/68, advised that he told COLOMBO of the above meeting and COLOMBO approved of his actions. In addition, informant said [redacted] felt deeply indebted to informant and have assured him that in the future they will deal directly with informant. Informant now feels that he may be able to use these individuals in his continuing efforts to learn the location of the Staten Island drop.

As the Bureau is aware, this informant has furnished information during the year 1968, which has resulted in recoveries of well over 1 million dollars, all in Bureau cases, and has furnished what is considered outstanding intelligence information. As an example, referenced New York letter sets out details of a Christmas meeting between JOE COLOMBO and an impressive array of "captains" and "soldiers" in his "family" at which COLOMBO spoke of matters not heretofore known.

Informant's accomplishments are unquestionably the result of outstanding efforts on his part. He realizes the delicate position he is in, but nevertheless continues to be extremely productive both in substantive cases and organized crime intelligence information.

Informant has accomplished these feats by maintaining a reputation in the criminal underworld; by cultivating and developing the proper contacts, and by utilizing

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intelligence and great resourcefulness so that substantive information developed by him can be acted upon in making arrests and recoveries.

As the Bureau is also aware, informant was recently given a lump sum payment in another spectacular case made by him, and it is felt that payment encouraged him to pursue this matter with the diligence he manifested. New York is certain an additional lump sum payment will have the effect of making informant even more enthusiastic and successful in his role. It is therefore recommended that the Bureau approve a [REDACTED] lump sum payment to informant.

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Date: 1/7/69

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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UNSOLVED MURDERS,  
BROOKLYN, NY  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 1/6/69, [REDACTED] advised over the weekend he had been summoned by JOE COLOMBO, who told the informant the following story:

COLOMBO said [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had killed during the past month or so three people and had dumped their bodies in the vicinity of 60th Street, between Fort Hamilton and Seventh Avenue. COLOMBO said that all three murders were senseless, brutal and unnecessary, and that [REDACTED] have been getting away with it because they [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] COLOMBO advised that one of the victims was a serviceman, who had just returned from Vietnam, and this started as a fight over a girl between [REDACTED]

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Approved: (11) [Signature]  
Special Agent in Charge

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[redacted] and the serviceman. COLOMBO said this occurred at the Club 62 (Fort Hamilton Parkway, between 61st and 62nd Streets, Brooklyn, NY), and that during the argument [redacted] pulled a gun on the serviceman and wounded him in the shoulder. They were able, however, to convince the serviceman that they should not report this incident to the police, and they then offered to drive him to the hospital. COLOMBO said when they got this kid in [redacted] they "finished him off". COLOMBO also advised that they had killed another innocent person in a stupid stickup attempt. b6 -2 b7C -2

COLOMBO said that the [redacted] although a legitimate individual, is an acquaintance of TODDO MARINO (GENOVESE "family") and went to him in an effort to obtain vengeance. MARINO, recognizing the fact that [redacted] then went to CARLO GAMBINO, complaining of this matter, and GAMBINO in turn called COLOMBO. COLOMBO then became excited and said "justice must be done, they must be killed." COLOMBO continued, informant said, that before the "go ahead sign" could be given, it would be necessary to have further sitdowns, and to be able to convince [redacted] that he had no choice, but to permit their "hits". b6 -2,3 b7C -2,3

Informant said he is of the opinion that COLOMBO may call upon him to participate in his (COLOMBO's) proposal, and, therefore, it was agreed that pertinent portions of the above information would be disseminated to the NYCPD, so as to avert informant's becoming involved further.

[redacted]

Accordingly, on 1/6/69, Deputy Inspector [redacted] Commanding Officer, Brooklyn South Detectives, was furnished descriptive data concerning [redacted] as well as information concerning their victims. [redacted] immediately advised that unquestionably JOSEPH CAVALLARO is identical with the soldier above, and [redacted] additionally volunteered that [redacted]

[redacted] was friendly with TODDO MARINO. In addition, [redacted] suspected that NICHOLAS CHIARA, who was a bartender at the Pad Bar and Grill, 6124 Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, was probably identical to the holdup victim. He said CAVALLARO was murdered on 12/14/68, and CHIARA was murdered in November, 1968, and both these homicides remain unsolved. [redacted] said in addition there are numerous other unsolved homicides which might be attributable to [redacted]. [redacted] He said that based on information furnished, he felt confident they would shortly identify these individuals, in an effort to solve the above homicides.

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This matter will be followed by the NYO and the Bureau will be kept advised.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

Mr. DeLoach

DATE January 6, 1969

FROM A. Rosen  
CONF. INFT.

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SUBJECT

TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL INFORMANT

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- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. Gale

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SAC, New York recommends [redacted] lump-sum payment to informant. General Investigative Division concurs.

**BACKGROUND:** This concerns information furnished in two armed hijackings in New York City one 11-14-68 of photographic equipment and the other 11-27-68 of 900 cases of cigarettes.

Informant a veteran member of Joe Colombo, La Cosa Nostra family, New York City, in October, 1968, learned Colombo and an associate had a secure and active "drop" for stolen merchandise in Staten Island, New York. He was instructed to learn location or to identify any temporary drop which might lead to the Staten Island drop. During October and November, 1968, he made many contacts in this regard.

Late on the day of the cigarette hijacking (11-27-68) informant furnished information regarding a drop in Brooklyn, New York. Acting on this information our Agents on 11-28-68 arrested two individuals, recovered \$65,000 of the stolen cigarettes and \$56,000 of the photographic equipment.

Informant has identified three others who handled the stolen load and since above results achieved was asked by Colombo (12-2-68) to investigate the circumstances. Informant states he succeeded in shifting the blame for disclosure in this matter from one of the two individuals arrested to the other three and as a result has strengthened his ties with the two arrested to point where he may learn location of the Staten Island drop.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS OF SAC, NEW YORK:** In recommending [redacted] lump-sum payment SAC, New York notes informant has furnished valuable information regarding the Colombo family and information during 1968 resulting in recoveries of over a million dollars in Bureau cases. Informant is in a delicate position (closeness to LCN leaders), maintains an underworld reputation and continues to be productive. A lump-sum payment should have effect of making him more enthusiastic and successful in his role. 179-1996-116  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/4/69

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: PHONE INFT.

Re NY letter, 12/20/68, and Bureau letter, 1/2/69.

Informant was paid [ ] for information furnished by him during the period 12/5/68 - 1/4/69, and [ ] for information furnished during the period 1/5 - 2/4/69.

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Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

The following is a summary of information furnished since referenced New York letter:

UNSOLVED MURDERS,  
BROOKLYN, NY  
INFO CONCERNING

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On 1/9/69, Deputy Inspector [redacted] advised that his department had definitely identified [redacted] and all information furnished by informant appeared to be extremely accurate. [redacted] advised that based on this information, they would attempt to obtain search warrants for their homes and autos in an effort to obtain evidence, which they could use in prosecuting them.

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It is noted in early 1968, under the caption, [redacted] AR", NY 92-2681, information was reported from informant advising the [redacted] were deeply involved in the obscene film business with the [redacted] and had been utilizing [redacted]

[redacted] Brooklyn, NY, as a drop. Informant also advised of other details of their operation.

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Informant advised on January 8, 1969, that at the present time JOE COLOMBO is receiving a percentage of money made by [redacted] with their involvement in the obscene film field. Informant said [redacted] and occasionally his [redacted] meet each Monday morning with [redacted] [redacted] Brooklyn, NY. On these occasions, the [redacted] distribution schedules for customers and the amount of film to be made by [redacted] Later on Mondays, usually mid-afternoon, the [redacted] meet with JOE COLOMBO at Cantalupo Realty or occasionally Caplan Buick and advise COLOMBO of the number of orders and the amount of money made.

On the following Saturday, usually in the morning, [redacted] again meet with [redacted] at which time they collect their end of the profits made and payoff BUTCH LINO and in the past his brother, EDDIE LINO, who act as messengers in making deliveries of film ordered by the [redacted] customers. Informant said these individuals are on the [redacted] payroll and not [redacted] On the following Monday afternoon they again meet with COLOMBO and pay COLOMBO his percentage of the profits. Informant said over the past few months he had

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[redacted]  
occasionally observed COLOMBO receiving from \$400.00 = \$700.00 from the [redacted] as his percentage.

Informant also furnished the partial identity of an individual used by [redacted] in the production of these films, as well as [redacted] who is now very bitter toward [redacted] and the LINOs, and who informant advised might cooperate if properly approached.

Regarding information previously furnished by informant concerning the current operation of a smut ring on January 23, 1969, informant furnished three reels of obscene film which he obtained that date from [redacted] at a price of \$5.00 each. These reels are as follows:

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- A 66 - Hippie I
- A 64 - Ring For Love
- A 67 - Hippie II

On 1/29/69, informant furnished the following list of films presently being handled by the [redacted]

- 127 My Friend
- 128 Figure Models
- 129 Yes I do
- 130 Cherries Galore
- 131 Suck
- 125 Lesbian I
- 120 Lesbian II
- 137 Offer a Lady
- 139 Dancing Teacher
- 140 Magic
- 149 Lust for Love
- 150 Kooky Party

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It is to be noted another informant of the NYO furnished specific information relating to the shipments of film being made to dealers outside the NY area by the [redacted]

Further, the sample films obtained by this informant were utilized by the NYO in obtaining a search warrant, which was used to actually seize these films and make this case successful.

As a result of coordinating investigation by the NYO, Cleveland and Pittsburgh Offices, a total of 8 arrests were

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made by Bureau Agents on 2/6/69, and also as a result of information furnished by the Bureau to the Rochester PD, two arrests were made on the same day by the Rochester PD. In addition, as a result of these arrests, a huge quantity of pornography and other evidence was seized.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

NICHOLAS FORLANO  
AR  
NY 92-2080

On 2/6/69, informant advised that COLOMBO had recently been in Miami, Florida, with his girl friend for approximately one and a half weeks and that since his return, COLOMBO has become almost obnoxious in his desire to collect monies owed to him. Informant surmised that COLOMBO has either spent a large sum of money in the recent past or is attempt to put together a bankroll for an imminent business venture. Informant continued that COLOMBO of late is becoming more and more irritable, possibly because of the fact his face has not completely returned to normal and possibly because of above financial matters.

Informant said on the previous Monday, he had had a long talk with COLOMBO at which time COLOMBO expressed dissatisfaction and annoyance over JIGGS FORLANO and stated that he was extremely disappointed over FORLANO's recent contact with him. Informant said that COLOMBO at one time boasted that FORLANO was probably his biggest "money maker" in that FORLANO and STEIN were the largest shylocks in NY. COLOMBO continued, however, that after STEIN went to prison, FORLANO was not able to continue successfully operating as a shylock and at one point, as previously reported by informant, FORLANO attempt to swindle [REDACTED] out of a million dollars which [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC. COLOMBO advised that FORLANO had even "botched" this setup probably to the point that since STEIN's release from prison he has probably become aware of FORLANO's attempt to steal his money, thus causing STEIN not to again engage in the shylock business with FORLANO. Informant said that COLOMBO complained in addition that FORLANO was a gambler and is

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no longer the "producer" he once was. Informant said he would be alert for additional details regarding above.

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NY 92-3209

On 1/23/69, informant advised he is familiar with [redacted] whom he stated is [redacted] in the JOSEPH COLOMBO "family", being assigned to the regime of DICK FUSCO, NY 92-2671.

Informant said most recently [redacted] has been operating a numbers bank as well as handling sports and horse racing action. Informant said [redacted]

[redacted] in Brooklyn for this operation. Informant related that [redacted] utilizes an individual known only to informant as [redacted] (TNU) who he identified [redacted]. Informant said [redacted] is active in counterfeiting, but informant was unable to state whether [redacted] controlled this activity on [redacted] part. Informant advised that he had not heard anything indicating that [redacted] was involved in shylocking, but did learn that [redacted] has an interest in a real estate agency somewhere in Brooklyn, which he would attempt to locate.

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On 2/28/69, informant advised he had determined that [redacted] has an interest in [redacted] [redacted] Brooklyn, NY.

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VINCENT ALOI  
AR  
NY 92-3190

On 2/12/69, informant advised that VINCENT ALOI has been hanging out very frequently at the Golden Chariot Restaurant, Queens Boulevard, Queens, NY.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 2/12/69, informant advised he had recently learned that during the previous month GONDOLFO SCIANDRA and ALBERT

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[REDACTED]

and BOOZIE DE CICCIO were in Las Vegas and borrowed \$100,000 in JOSEPH COLOMBO's name, which they lost gambling. Informant believed that this was some type of scam operation and that JOE COLOMBO authorized it and was a partner if they won any money.

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

On 2/12/69, informant advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has the reputation  
of being connected with many judges in Brooklyn and Manhattan,  
NY. [REDACTED]

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Mr. DeLoach

March 18, 1969

J. H. Gale

TOP ECHELON CRIMINAL  
INFORMANT PROGRAM

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This is to advise you of the excellent results being achieved through the services of [redacted] an extremely valuable top echelon informant.

As you know, our Top Echelon Criminal Informant Program has a two-fold goal--the penetration of La Cosa Nostra (LCN) and other organized criminal groups, and the development of pertinent information which will result in the prosecution of top racket figures. [redacted] has been very productive in both areas.

He is a highly placed LCN member-informant within the Joseph Colombo "family" of LCN. Within the past three months, he provided such data as the following:

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The informant furnished information concerning the location of three loads of hijacked goods. As a direct result of his information, 10 individuals were arrested by Bureau Agents and merchandise with an estimated recovery value of \$400,000 was located by Bureau Agents.

Since early 1968, he furnished precise information regarding an extensive pornographic film racket operated [redacted]

The informant reported LCN "boss" Joe Colombo received a percentage of the profits of this operation. In addition, our source made available samples of the obscene films which were utilized by the New York office in obtaining a search warrant which resulted in the recovery of these films.

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - Mr. Kelly
- ① - [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach  
Re: Top Echelon Criminal  
Informant Program

The informant made a substantial contribution to the successful Interstate Transportation of Obscene Matter investigation of this situation which resulted in a total of eight arrests by Bureau Agents in February, 1969.

In January, 1969, the informant advised that he had been told by Joe Colombo that in the recent past three people had been murdered by two hoodlums he referred to as [redacted] both of whom were [redacted]

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[redacted] According to our source, Colombo stated all three murders were brutal and unnecessary. This data was disseminated to the New York City Police Department who subsequently advised that [redacted] had been identified by their Department and noted that all information furnished them by the New York office concerning these murders appeared to be extremely accurate. The New York City Police Department is still pursuing their investigation in this matter.

The informant, in addition to providing significant information regarding substantive matters, continues to keep the New York office informed of the activities within the Colombo "family" of LCN.

ACTION:

For information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/5/69

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~~FROM~~ ~~43:~~

SAC, NEW YORK

CONF. INFT.

**SUBJECT:**

ReBulet, 1/2/69 and New York letter, 3/11/69.

Informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 2/5 - 3/4/69 and [redacted] for information furnished during the period 3/5 - 4/4/69.

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Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished information known to be false.

CHANGED  
UNSUBS (4).

THEFT OF ONE 1959 BROKAWAY TRACTOR,  
NJ LICENSE X34625 AND TRAILER CONTAINING 1,000  
CASES OF CUTTY SARK SCOTCH, E.H. MILLER CO., NYC  
2/24/69; TFIS; ARMED HIJACKING

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b7C -1,2

UNSUBS (3):

THEFT  
OF MATCO TRACTOR AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD 179-1996-1187  
TRAILER CONTAINING REFRIGERATORS AND AIR CONDITIONERS,  
SOUTH KEARNY, NJ, 2/25/69: TFIS

UNSUBS (2):

MACLEAN TRANSPORTATION COMPANY TRACTOR AND TRAILER  
CONTAINING GOLF BALLS AND EQUIPMENT, RUTHERFORD,  
NJ, 1/26/69; TFIS; ARMED HIJACKING

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b7C -2

As noted in referenced New York letter, informant has become close to [redacted] whom he befriended in a "sit down" in connection with two previous hijackings. Through [redacted] who had been close to [redacted] (LNU) informant was directed to obtain

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[redacted]  
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sufficient data to enable to the NYO to identify him. Based on resulting information from informant [redacted] was identified as [redacted]. Informant then, through [redacted] was able to keep apprised of [redacted] activities, since [redacted] continued his activities in the hijacking field. Informant was then encouraged to endeavor to learn the location of [redacted] new "drop" and thereafter informant began to buy small quantities of "swag" through [redacted].

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On 2/24/69, informant was offered a load of Cutty Sark whiskey in fifths, which he expressed a great interest in. Subsequently another associate of [redacted] was instructed to "take informant to [redacted]. It was intended that informant was to be brought to a social club which [redacted] was known to frequent, but instead informant was mistakenly driven to 32 Bartlett Street, Brooklyn, which was apparently closed for the night and they then proceeded to the social club.

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After meeting with [redacted] informant observed that [redacted] was not told of the above error and informant then decided that [redacted] price was too high since he was attempting to sell the Cutty Sark for \$40 per case. [redacted] then offered informant the entire 1,000 case load, but informant was able to "back off", explaining he did not have a location large enough to handle such a large quantity.

Immediately after leaving [redacted] informant telephoned contacting agent and advised of all above details observing that it was possible [redacted] might learn of informant's accidental knowledge of the "drop" location.

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During the course of the resulting surveillance on 2/25/69, two panel trucks were observed to go in and out of the "drop". One of these trucks was discreetly surveilled to the residence of [redacted] where approximately 100 cases of Cutty Sark whiskey was observed to be unloaded.

Upon receipt of this intelligence, informant was recontacted and advised he never heard of [redacted] and knew of no relationship between [redacted]. It was then agreed

[redacted]  
that [redacted] would be interviewed in an effort to obtain his cooperation.

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[redacted] residence was thereafter searched on a voluntary basis by NYO agents during the evening of 2/25/69 and the stolen scotch was recovered. [redacted] soon thereafter admitted buying this "swag" from [redacted] as well as other swag.

In the early morning of 2/26/69, informant advised he had just learned that an additional load or loads would be brought to the Bartlett Street drop and it was anticipated an extremely valuable load of sporting equipment or Polaroid cameras would be in one of these loads.

Based on this extremely valuable intelligence, NYO decided to withhold entering the drop so as to allow the above loads to be brought there.

At approximately 11:00 a.m., four hours after informant had furnished the above information, two trucks were observed to enter the drop. One was a Pennsylvania Railroad trailer, the other Mac Lean Transportation Company trailer. Immediately thereafter agents of the NYO entered the drop and determined that it contained the hijacked Cutty Sark load that the Mac Lean Trailer contained a valuable load of sporting equipment and that the Pennsylvania Railroad trailer contained a load of refrigerators and air conditioners. Mac Lean load was hijacked earlier on 2/26/69, and the Pennsylvania load was stolen the previous night.

As a result of information furnished by informant in connection with the above approximately \$360,000 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered and the ten individuals arrested. Included among which was [redacted] who is a well-known [redacted] in the New York area.

The above raid resulted in wide-spread publicity both on TV and in the press.

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[REDACTED]

UNSUBS (4) Theft of 1965  
GMC Tractor, NY License  
15564, and 1967 Brown Trailer,  
NY License 259417, Containing  
Miscellaneous Pharmaceutical  
Products, THOMAS JORDANO AND  
SONS, INC., Somerset, NJ,  
2/24/69  
TFIS-ARMED HIJACKING  
(OO: NEWARK)  
NY 15-

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On 3/3/69, informant advised he had learned  
that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and a third individual known only to informant as  
[REDACTED] were the individuals who actually hijacked a  
load of pharmaceuticals from NJ. Informant advised he would  
attempt to obtain additional information regarding this matter.

It is noted subsequent to above, Newark Office raided  
a "drop" in Elizabeth, NJ, in which a portion of above load was  
recovered. Investigation is pending in an effort to determine  
if fingerprints of any of the above individuals are developed  
on cartons recovered.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 3/24/69, informant advised he had heard via  
the grapevine that [REDACTED] the Chinese restaurant  
located next to CHRIS FUNARI's 19th Hole had been gambling  
with bookmakers during the recent past and had lost heavily.  
When they were unable to pay their losses were converted  
to shylock type loans, forcing them to pay points. Soon  
they were unable to make payment, and JOE COLOMBO has in the  
recent past completely taken over this restaurant and presently  
[REDACTED] in his employ, inasmuch as it is necessary  
for Chinese people to operate the restaurant. Informant said  
he believes these people are extremely upset over the way  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

It is noted subsequent to above, a pretext interview was conducted with [REDACTED] above restaurant, who readily admitted knowing COLOMBO and numerous associates of his, and in fact admitted attending COLOMBO's son's recent wedding. He denied, however, owing COLOMBO money or that COLOMBO was a silent partner in the business.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING  
NY 15-

On 4/1/69, informant advised he had recently learned that there is a hijacking drop which is being used by a number of Negro hijackers and that this drop is occasionally rented to other Brooklyn hijackers. Informant said this drop is located at 663 Berriman Street, Brooklyn, which is in the vicinity of Wortman and Pennsylvania Avenues.

Informant advised he does not know if he will hear when a load is brought to that location, but would contact the writer if he did learn of anything.

Regarding above, a new 15- case was opened in the NYO and periodic spot checks are being maintained of this location.

MICHAEL SAVINO  
AR  
NY 92-3408

On 4/17/69, informant advised that he was aware that MIKE SAVINO has an extensive shylock business operating in the Brooklyn area and utilizes as his strong arm man an individual known as "FRANKIE The Beast". Informant said FRANKIE has the reputation of being a tough guy and enjoying an assignment to beat up a "slow payer". Informant said that SAVINO has his customers make payments to him at an exterminating shop located on 86th Street and 15th Avenue.

Informant advised that SAVINO is an LCN member in the COLOMBO "family" and is also JOSEPH COLOMBO's brother-in-law.

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[REDACTED]

JOSEPH COLOMBO aka  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 4/17/69, informant advised that during some recent discussions with JOSEPH COLOMBO he was advised of the following:

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An individual named [REDACTED] not further identified, but described as [REDACTED] Brooklyn, NY, had approximately four months ago been "taken" for \$55,000 from an individual [REDACTED] not further identified.

Informant said COLOMBO continued that [REDACTED] apparently attempted to seek redress and thereafter went to PETEY PUMPS FERRARA (92-2462) and complained of this to him. FERRARA assured [REDACTED] that he would "handle it" and shortly thereafter FERRARA visited [REDACTED]. On this occasion, FERRARA allegedly took a quantity of rare and valuable coins, left and had never given [REDACTED] satisfaction or payment for the coins.

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COLOMBO continued that subsequently by sheer accident [REDACTED] who is himself [REDACTED] happened upon [REDACTED] and became familiar with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] learned of [REDACTED] identity, he advised him of the above and very shortly thereafter [REDACTED] was robbed of approximately \$90,000 worth of coins. [REDACTED] then asked [REDACTED] could lend him any money, and JOSEPH COLOMBO thereafter made a substantial shylock loan to [REDACTED]. Informant said COLOMBO told him that [REDACTED] (92-4850) was making the collections on this loan for him, and that it appeared that JOE COLOMBO, SR. would be able to get a piece of [REDACTED] business. COLOMBO advised that this would be an "excellent move" on his part since [REDACTED] has extensive contacts in the coin field, knows numerous jewelers, and is also well connected in the rare metals field and thusly could be made into an excellent fence for stolen merchandise.

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[REDACTED]

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Informant continued that within the last couple of days COLOMBO advised him that [REDACTED] had 90 lbs. of pure silver in his auto, which was apparently "swag" brought to him, and that this silver had been stolen from him. COLOMBO requested that informant put out "feelers" in an effort to learn who stole the silver so that JOSEPH COLOMBO would become a "hero" in [REDACTED] eyes and thus be in a better position to move in on the business. b6 -2 b7C -2

Subsequent to receipt of above information, investigation determined that [REDACTED] was identical with [REDACTED] and he was subsequently interviewed under suitable pretext. [REDACTED] admitted knowing COLOMBO, his son, [REDACTED] and numerous other LCN members in the Brooklyn, New York area. [REDACTED] although apparently reluctant to [REDACTED] b6 -2 b7C -2

[REDACTED]





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New York, New York  
July 1, 1969

NEW YORK SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]  
NEW YORK FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]  
BUREAU FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

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The above individual is a regularly paid top echelon criminal informant of the New York Office. This informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable. He has not furnished any information known to be false.

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SAC, New York

[Redacted]

July 16, 1969

Director, FBI

[Redacted]

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

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1 - Mr. Gale

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[Redacted]

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ReNYlet 7/3/69.

Bureau authority is granted to pay captioned informant lump-sum payment of [Redacted] for services as cited in relet.

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NOTE: See Rosen to DeLoach memo dated 7/15/69 captioned as above, JFH:mcr.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/3/69

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT:

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ReNYlet to Bureau dated 12/31/68 and NYlet to Bureau dated 5/5/69.

The informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

During recent contacts with informant, he has advised that JOE COLOMBO is becoming increasingly annoyed with informant since he continues to be indebted to COLOMBO for approximately \$9000. Informant stated that his numbers business during the recent past although profitable has not produced sufficient profits to enable him to make any substantial payments in an effort to reduce this loan. Informant said he was becoming more and more concerned over the situation and felt it might impede his effectiveness as an informant and effect his position with COLOMBO.

CHANGED  
UNSUBS (4);

THEFT OF ONE 1959 BROKAWAY  
TRACTOR, NJ LICENSE X34625 AND TRAILER  
CONTAINING 1,000 CASES OF CUTTY SARK  
SCOTCH, E. H. MILLER COMPANY, NY, 2/24/69  
TFIS; ARMED HIJACKING

UNSUBS (3);

THEFT  
OF MATCO TRACTOR AND PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD  
TRAILER CONTAINING REFRIGERATORS AND AIR  
CONDITIONERS, SOUTH KEARNY, NJ, 2/25/69  
TFIS

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1-New York



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REC 18

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[REDACTED]

UNSUBS (2): [REDACTED] THEFT  
 OF MACLEAN TRANSPORTATION COMPANY  
 TRACTOR AND TRAILER CONTAINING GOLF BALLS  
 AND EQUIPMENT, RUTHERFORD, NJ, 1/26/69  
 TFIS; ARMED HIJACKING

As noted in referenced NYlet dated 12/31/68, informant has become close to [REDACTED] whom he befriended in a "sit down" in connection with two previous hijackings. Through [REDACTED] who had been close to [REDACTED] (LNU) informant was directed to obtain sufficient data to enable the NYO to identify him. Based on resulting information from informant [REDACTED] was identified as [REDACTED]. Informant then, through [REDACTED] was able to keep apprised of [REDACTED] activities, since [REDACTED] continued his activities in the hijacking field. Informant was then encouraged to endeavor to learn the location of [REDACTED] new "drop" and thereafter informant began to buy small quantities of "swag" through [REDACTED].

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Upon receipt of this intelligence, informant was recontacted and advised he never heard of [redacted] and knew of no relationship between [redacted]. It was then agreed that [redacted] would be interviewed in an effort to obtain his cooperation.

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As a result of information furnished by informant in connection with the above approximately \$360,000 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered and the ten individuals arrested.

[redacted] who is a well-known [redacted] in the NY area.

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The above raid resulted in widespread publicity both on TV and in the press.

Most recently [redacted] has been identified as [redacted] and was [redacted] at a drop in Staten Island, the location of which originated from instant informant.

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[redacted]

In addition, after [redacted] he was identified by agents participating in the surveillance in the above case as having been at the Bartlett Street drop and will in all likelihood be arrested for Conspiracy in this matter as well.

As the Bureau is aware this informant is in all likelihood the most valuable TE informant both in LCN intelligence, based on his close friendship with JOSEPH COLOMBO and in cases under the Bureau's jurisdiction. In each instance, informant has furnished extremely accurate information, which has resulted in staggering recoveries and numerous arrests. Informant has been able to accomplish and yet through careful planning has been able to keep his reputation above suspicion.

It is felt that based specifically on information in above matter, informant should be paid a lump sum payment of [redacted]. Again, NY is of the opinion, that this will have the effect of maintaining informant's enthusiasm and his continuance in furnishing high caliber information in the criminal field.

NY therefore strongly requests the Bureau approve a [redacted] lump sum payment to the informant.

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SAC, New York [redacted]

Director, FBI [redacted]

July 23, 1969

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1 - Mr. Gale  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - M.F. Row  
1 - Mr. Kelly

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Reurlet 7/8/69.

Authority granted to continue payments to the above-captioned source [redacted] on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period effective 7/5/69. This authorization includes monies to pay for services rendered as well as expenses incurred by informant at the specific request of your office.

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Furnish Bureau progress letters by 9/5/69 and 11/5/69, setting forth a succinct summary of significant data provided by informant. Submit recommendations regarding continued payments two weeks prior to the expiration of this authority.

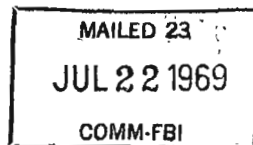
Keep in mind that payments should be varied in line with the value of the informant's services.

NOTE: See [redacted] to Gale memorandum, 7/17/69, JEK:mfd.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] CONF. INFT.  
TECIP

DATE: 7/8/69.

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ReNYlet dated 5/5/69.

Informant was paid [REDACTED] for information furnished during the period 4/5 - 5/4/69; [REDACTED] for information furnished during the period 5/5/69 - 6/4/69; and will be paid [REDACTED] for information furnished during the period 6/5/69 - 7/4/69.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

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Informant is contacted on an almost daily basis and continues to furnish high level intelligence as well as specific information in substantive cases within the Bureau's jurisdiction. NY and other offices have effectively utilized this continuing information which has resulted in numerous arrests and substantial recoveries. It is therefore recommended informant be continued as a regularly paid informant and receive the maximum of [REDACTED] for information furnished as well as expenses incurred.

NICHOLAS BIANCO  
AR  
NY 92-3407

On 5/6/69, the informant advised BIANCO had recently advised him he had acquired a nightclub in Queens and soon would invite all members of the family to attend it's grand opening.

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On 6/18/69, the informant stated that a few nights previously numerous members of the COLOMBO family attended a gala opening of the Cafe Royale in Queens, NY, which BIANCO claimed he owned 40% of.

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1-New York

REC- [REDACTED]

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7/17/69  
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7/18/69  
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Informant also related BIANCO confided that in the future he would spend a considerable portion of his time here and eventually use this as his "headquarters".

[redacted]

AR  
NY 92-2681

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On 6/6/69, informant advised during a recent discussion with [redacted] complained of the large amount of money it had lost due to the FBI's recent arrest and seizure of [redacted] advised that they are now in full operation again and hoped that it will become as profitable again as it was in the past.

JOSEPH COLOMBO

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NY 92-1965

CARMINE PERSICO

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NY 92-2895

IT IS NOTED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS ALMOST SINGULAR IN NATURE AND THEREFORE IT SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU OR PLACED IN THE DETAILS OF ANY REPORT.

On 6/22/69, informant in a discussion with a trusted associate in the COLOMBO family learned that CARMINE PERSICO had been able to convince JOSEPH COLOMBO that COLOMBO should authorize PERSICO'S involvement in the importation of a large cache of heroin. Informant advised both he and his associate were shocked and displeased to learn that PERSICO had so much influence on COLOMBO that he was able to convince COLOMBO to authorize the "family" in the importation of heroin. Informant said in the past COLOMBO had threatened to personally kill any of his family if he learned that they became involved in narcotics.

Informant said he would endeavor to learn additional details.

Since above information is both delicate and vague in nature no dissemination is being made at this time.

[REDACTED]  
 SAM MUSACCHIO  
 AR  
 NY 92-3208

On 7/2/69, informant advised he had recently learned that SAM MUSACCHIO has a "drop" located somewhere in Brooklyn, NY, and that [REDACTED] who is known to informant as a [REDACTED] intended to use MUSACCHIO's drop. Informant stated he would endeavor to learn the location of this drop.

[REDACTED]  
 AR  
 NY 92-3406

On 7/2/69, the informant advised that during a recent conversation with [REDACTED] advised him that the FBI has a constant surveillance on him and is apparently attempting to prove that he has no legitimate employment. [REDACTED] complained that his neighbors had been interviewed and his alleged employer had also been interviewed but had furnished the FBI with no information whatsoever, going to the point of refusing to answer any questions. Informant stated [REDACTED] is very concerned over this "heat".

[REDACTED]  
 UNSUBS (3); THEFT OF 1965  
 MACK TRACTOR, NY LICENSE  
 12398 AND 1955 FRUEHAUF  
 TRAILER, NY LICENSE 9331,  
 CONTAINING 400 CYLINDERS OF  
 MERCURY FROM MONGAM-KESTER  
 TRANSFER CORPORATION, VALUED  
 AT \$160,000 AT STATEN ISLAND,  
 NY, 6/3/69  
 TFIS - ARMED HIJACKING  
 NY 15-53021

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On 6/4/69, informant advised he had been approached by [REDACTED] both of whom he knew to be involved in hijackings. At that time, informant was offered the above load for \$4 per pound. Informant at this first meeting expressed an interest in this load but complained that the price appeared to be too high, but he would attempt to "line up a buyer". Informant was instructed to recontact

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[redacted]

these individuals and offer an abnormally low price for the load in an effort to learn further details but not to actually have his offer accepted.

Informant thereafter made a counter-offer of \$2.85 but this was declined by [redacted]. Informant did learn further that the stolen load was at that time in an unknown trucking company on Staten Island which was located very close to the water.

Accordingly on 6/5/69, a carefully coordinated large scale inquiry was conducted of all trucking companies listed in the Staten Island Yellow Pages and numerous consent searches were made. During the course of these consent searches, informant recontacted the NYO and advised that his "ridiculous" offer of \$2.85 a pound had been accepted by [redacted] and that he was now committed to handle this load and that they now offered to drive informant to their drop in Staten Island. Informant was instructed to use all means available to stall this appearance so that the search could be completed and hopefully the mercury located before his appearance. At approximately 7:00 PM, all logical companies had been checked and no mercury was located.

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Informant shortly thereafter recontacted the NYO and stated he had found a buyer for this mercury who was willing to pay \$3.85 per pound and was then enroute to this drop. Informant was instructed to obtain all possible details and to immediately relay them so that some action could be taken by the NYO.

At approximately 8:00 PM, informant contacted the NYO and advised that the mercury had been kept at a trucking company located at 2581 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, but approximately five minutes previously had been loaded on to a red truck having a yellow dump body and taken to an unknown scrap metal company in the immediate location. Informant requested that no direct inquiries be made at 2581, which would easily compromise his identity.

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Immediately thereafter a coordinated and intensified street search was instituted in this area of Staten Island and a truck similar in appearance and bearing the name [redacted] on the door of the truck was observed parked in front of Caton Scrap

[redacted]

Metal Company, Richmond Terrace, Staten Island. An immediate surveillance was set up in this location and approximately 45 minutes later two individuals entered this truck and began to drive it away.

During the subsequent surveillance, this truck was observed to leave Staten Island enter New Jersey cross the George Washington Bridge proceed to Thomas E. Dewey Expressway and thence to the Connecticut Turnpike. From there the truck proceeded to the Watertown, Connecticut area at approximately 2:00 AM, 6/6/69 and immediately began driving through side streets of this small town. A loose surveillance was maintained and the truck was next observed to be parked on a side street in Watertown and a fixed surveillance was established.

Due to the remote nature of this area contact was made with the only Watertown policeman on duty at that hour who advised that they had observed individuals fitting the description of subjects apparently attempting to leave the Watertown area on foot. This police officer advised he had obtained assistance and they then were in the process of arresting these individuals for disorderly conduct as their activities were extremely suspicious.

Surveillance was maintained of the truck and when it became apparent it had been abandoned, it was searched and revealed to contain 324 cyclinders of mercury having a value of \$200,000.

[redacted] were arrested by the Watertown Police and on the same date were released on \$40 bond.

On 6/7/69, informant advised he had learned that instant truck used by [redacted] had been hijacked approximately two weeks previously and at that time contained a load of airconditioners. Immediately thereafter this was verified. It was also determined that this truck bore a stolen NY License plate.

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On 6/11/69, the initial facts were presented to a Grand Jury in the EDNY and it was apparent that the individual reporting the above license plate as stolen had perjured himself.

[REDACTED]

It was also apparent from information developed during this surveillance that the Infeld Scrap Metal Company, Watertown, Connecticut, were to be the ultimate fence for this mercury.

Accordingly, additional facts as developed will be presented to the Grand Jury and it is hoped approximately five arrests may be effected in the near future.

On 6/9/69, informant advised he had discussed his involvement in above with JOE COLOMBO at which time COLOMBO advised that he had already been contacted by PAUL SCIACCA (92-3641), head of the SCIACCA family who advised that [REDACTED] (92-3875) described by SCIACCA [REDACTED] in his family and [REDACTED] (92-4217) described as [REDACTED] in his family desired to have a "sit down" with the informant. COLOMBO instructed the informant to be respectful and cordial but to make no commitments during this sit down, which informant did.

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Informant thereafter contacted [REDACTED] who claimed that he had lost the entire 400 cyclinders and that he would arrange to have an LCN member represent him in a sit down which would be attended by informant, COLOMBO and appropriate SCIACCA "people". It is noted [REDACTED] lied at this point which strengthened informant's position, especially since a newspaper article later appeared with details of the recovery.

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During June, 1969, the informant was contacted on almost a daily basis in connection with this matter for all details concerning this sit down which would shed an insight into the handling of inter-"family" disputes.

On 7/7/69, informant advised that he had been approached the previous week by FRANK LUPO, who was highly recommended by JOE COLOMBO as "one of us in another family" and LUPO advised informant that he would ostensibly represent [REDACTED] interests. At the same time LUPO assured informant that he would in fact be certain informant's position was protected.

Informant stated that in the near future a large sit down would be consumated and that he would furnish all details concerning this.

[REDACTED]

Informant stated that his position in this entire matter appears to be extremely safe since COLOMBO himself expressed sympathy to informant that his loss was perhaps the greatest since informant was in a position to earn at least \$45,000 "without getting out of bed". Informant is of the opinion that COLOMBO will demand adequate recompense.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO: Mr. Gale *[Signature]*

DATE 7/17/69

FROM: *[Redacted]*

CONF. INFL.

SUBJECT: *[Redacted]*

TECIP

## SYNOPSIS:

This is to recommend continued payments to *[Redacted]* SAC, New York, requests authority to pay this source *[Redacted]* on a C.O.D. basis.

*[Redacted]* who has been a top echelon informant since 1962, is one of the most effective top echelon informants developed to date. He is an admitted long-time member of La Cosa Nostra (LCN) and he has furnished detailed and significant intelligence data. In addition, he has provided extremely valuable information regarding substantive matters. He has been particularly productive in the Theft From Interstate Shipment (TFIS) field. For example, in February, 1969, \$360,000 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered and ten arrests made based upon his information. In June, 1969, a recovery of stolen goods valued at \$200,000 was accomplished through his assistance.

## ACTION:

In view of the proven capability of the informant to make available extremely valuable information, it is recommended the attached letter authorizing the New York office to continue payments to this source *[Redacted]* on a C.O.D. basis be approved.

Enc. *[Handwritten]* 7-22-69

- 1 - Mr. Gale
- 1 - M. F. Row Room 6221 IB
- 1 - *[Redacted]*
- 1 - Mr. Kelly

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EX-117

REC-123

12 JUL 24 1969

Memorandum to Mr. Gale

Re: [redacted]

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DETAILS:

SAC, New York, requests authority to continue payments to [redacted] on a C.O.D. basis.

The informant is one of the most valuable sources developed to date in the organized crime field. He has been a top echelon informant since March, 1962.

This source is a veteran member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). His arrest record dates back to 1950 and includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment. By virtue of his membership in LCN, he was one of the first Bureau sources to furnish precise and specific data regarding the structure and membership of LCN. He has identified over 200 members of LCN in the New York-New Jersey area.

Informant has a very close relationship with Joe Colombo, a member of the Commission. Through this association, he has been able to provide highly significant intelligence data regarding LCN activity on a continuous basis.

In addition, this source has been extremely productive with respect to substantive investigations. For example, in February, 1969, his information lead to the arrest of 10 individuals in a TFIS investigation and the recovery of stolen merchandise valued at \$360,000. His services were also responsible for the recovery of goods valued at \$200,000 in June, 1969, in another TFIS investigation.

The informant has established that he is the best source of the New York office with respect to organized crime matters and is considered an outstanding informant.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO Mr. DeLoach

DATE July 15, 1969

FROM Rosen

CONF. INFT

SUBJECT

1 - Mr. DeLoach

1 - Mr. Rosen

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1 - Mr. Gale

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SAC, New York, recommends [redacted] lump-sum payment for captioned informant for information furnished in Theft From Interstate Shipment cases. General Investigative Division concurs. (\$360,000 stolen merchandise recovered and 10 arrests made.)

**BACKGROUND:** This concerns our investigation of 3 separate major truck hijackings, namely a trailer containing 1,000 cases of Cutty Sark Scotch, New York City, 2/24/69; trailer loaded with refrigerators and air-conditioning equipment, Kearny, New Jersey, 2/25/69; and a trailer containing golf balls and sporting goods, Rutherford, New Jersey, 2/26/69. Informant, a veteran member of the Joe Colombo, La Cosa Nostra family, New York City, at great personal risk and through concentrated effort over a period of time learned the locations where the loot was stored and assisted in identifying the fence. He advised our New York Office who conducted investigation which resulted in recoveries of \$360,000 worth of stolen merchandise and arrests of 10 individuals including a well-known, active New York area hijacker. All this was accomplished by 2/26/69. Wide-spread publicity was afforded these accomplishments.

Informant has been a Top Echelon Criminal Informant since March, 1962, and has been regularly paid since September, 1962, receiving up to [redacted]. He was last paid a lump-sum of [redacted] on 1/17/69 for the solution of two other armed hijackings. Every month since 1/68 informant has received [redacted] on a C.O.D. basis for information furnished. **RECOMMENDATIONS OF SAC, NEW YORK:** In recommending [redacted] lump-sum payment SAC, New York, notes that in addition to the above, informant more recently furnished the location of another New York City area drop which led to recovery of loot valued at \$40,000 by our Agents and arrests of 3 subjects including John Cosares, a suspect in the aforementioned thefts. SAC, New York, feels a lump-sum payment of [redacted] to informant at this time will have the effect of maintaining his enthusiasm and will result in his continuing to furnish us with high caliber information in the criminal field. SAC, New York, characterizes informant as the best source currently available to the New York Office concerning organized crime and other matters under our jurisdiction. This is evidenced by fact that informant has furnished information which has resulted in staggering recoveries and numerous arrests.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION:** General Investigative Division concurs with the recommendations of SAC, New York. Attached for approval is a letter authorizing lump-sum payment of [redacted] to this informant.

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ELEMENTE-645

sent 7-16-69

10-6-69

Airtel

To: SAC, New York [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

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*TECIP*

ReBulet 7-17-69.

By return mail, advise date progress letter forwarded in this matter. Relet instructed you to submit a progress letter by 9-5-69.

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CLEMENTE-646

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/13/69

FROM : *[Signature]*

SAC, NEW YORK

CONF. INFT.

SUBJECT:

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ReBuairtel, 10/6/69.

Progress letter re captioned subject forwarded  
Bu 10/8/69.

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1-New York

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CLEMENTE-647

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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Date: 10/10/69

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK  
 CONF. INFT.  
 SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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On 10/9/69, Detective [REDACTED] Racket Squad, Brooklyn District Attorney's Office, telephonically advised SA [REDACTED] that his office arrested last evening the following individuals:

GREGORY SCARPA and his son  
 ROBERT STASIO  
 SAM WEISS  
 ANTHONY CAPPUCCI  
 FRANK FARACE

b6 -2  
 b7C -2

Detective [REDACTED] advised that the above individuals were being charged with attempted Grand Larceny and attempted possession of stolen property in connection with the theft of a load of J&B scotch.

It is to be noted later on 10/9/69, informant was contacted and advised that he had been released in \$5,000 bail and felt that his arrest was a "setup". He further related he felt confident that the case would be dropped and no prosecution would result.

Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

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 1 - New York

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 10/8/69

FROM : *[Signature]*

SAC, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT: CONF. INFO.

ReBulet dated 7/22/69 and NYlet dated 5/5/69.

On 8/26/69, informant was paid [redacted] for information furnished during the period 7/5/69 - 8/4/69; informant is being paid [redacted] for information furnished during the two month period 8/5/69 - 10/4/69.

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable and has not furnished any information known to be false.

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b7C -1,2

JOSEPH COLOMBO aka  
AR  
NY 92-1965

It is noted reNYlet contained considerable information furnished by informant on 4/17/69 re one [redacted] in Brooklyn, NY. Relet also pointed out [redacted] was cooperative and cordial when interviewed and substantiated considerable information furnished above.

Since relet, NY has had numerous contacts with [redacted] and during the latter part of June and early July, [redacted] began to furnish more detailed information concerning his relationship with [redacted]. It appeared he had entered into a business venture with [redacted] which had failed and that [redacted] was using [redacted] as a strong arm collector.

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Consequently on 7/23/69, informant, acting under direction, advised that during a recent discussion he had with JOSEPH COLOMBO he related to COLOMBO that he intended to "move" against [redacted] since he felt he could be easily conned. On this occasion, COLOMBO advised informant to "hold off" since COLOMBO had yet to collect money from [redacted].

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CLEMENTE-649

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



5010-108

[redacted]

On 7/28/69 and 8/4/69, informant again acting under direction, casually mentioned to COLOMBO that he had heard that [redacted] was making a few "scores" and he, informant, was anxious to get started on him. On both occasions COLOMBO related he had not yet fully collected his money [redacted] and on the latter date said he would "get [redacted] to handle this collection.

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On 8/13/69, informant advised that during a recent discussion he had with [redacted] requested informant to stop telling COLOMBO that [redacted] was "making scores" since COLOMBO was putting [redacted] under considerable pressure to collect COLOMBO's money.

[redacted] advised that he had "slapped the kid around" but that [redacted] kept "crying poormouth". [redacted] confided that if COLOMBO kept it up it would cause [redacted] to get arrested since he felt [redacted] was a "cry baby" and might run to the cops. Informant said, accordingly, he could not continue to tell JOSEPH COLOMBO that [redacted] was "making scores" since to do so would "put him out of character". Informant also advised that [redacted] had a tendency to exaggerate and that he may have told COLOMBO he "slapped" victim but that this may or may not be true.

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[redacted]

AR  
NY 92-3184

It is to be noted in the past informant identified one [redacted] as an LCN member in the COLOMBO family. However, a photograph was not available for positive identification by this informant. It is noted during the recent past a surveillance type photograph depicting [redacted] was obtained and on 7/29/69, this photograph was displayed to the informant. At this time informant advised this individual was the brother of [redacted] that he previously referred to and that this individual was definitely not an LCN member. Informant advised that the individual referred to by him is known to him as JIMMY BROWN and that this individual is an LCN member in the COLOMBO family as well as his brother [redacted]

Informant advised he does not see the [redacted] very often and as far as he is aware they are probably inactive.

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During May, June and July, 1969 numerous contacts were had with [redacted] an admitted member of the COLOMBO "family" and intimately acquainted with activities in the 86th Street area of Brooklyn, NY. Informant advised that in the past he had dealt with [redacted] and an associate of [redacted] in connection with hijackings and other swag. In addition, informant related [redacted] allegedly in the past did have contacts for obtaining fireworks. However, to his knowledge, during this past Fourth of July celebration, [redacted] was unable to make his connection. Informant said [redacted] are highly regarded by all members of the COLOMBO "family" as being able to handle large quantities of almost any description of swag since they both have excellent contacts. Informant stated that neither [redacted] are considered "good fellows" (LCN members), however they are nonetheless highly regarded hoodlums.

JOSEPH LUCHESE  
AR  
NY 92-2753

On 8/5/69, informant advised that he had heard that [redacted] is acting in a large scale bookmaking operation in a luncheonette which is located next door to the Trylon Theater, Queens Boulevard, Queens, NY. Informant said in this connection two young Jewish gamblers had become indebted to [redacted] for \$5000 which money they did not have and after [redacted] had threatened to break their legs both had run away and were afraid to go home.

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Informant said that through a mutual friend these two gamblers were able to get GREGORY SCARPA, an LCN member in the COLOMBO family, to intercede in an attempt to settle this debt for a lesser amount. Informant said thereafter SCARPA and three of his muscle men went to the above luncheonette,

[redacted] there spoke with [redacted] and [redacted] and offered to settle this debt for 25¢ on the dollar. [redacted] became enraged and said he would sooner kill these welchers and get nothing rather than settle for \$1250.

Informant related SCARPA and his henchmen thereafter threatened to kill [redacted] and to burn the luncheonette if harm came to either of the gamblers stating that he would instruct them to go home that night and to have no fear that harm would befall them. They thereafter discontinued the meeting and on the following day [redacted]

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[redacted] allegedly contacted one of SCARPA's henchmen and arranged for a meeting between SCARPA and himself in East Harlem later that day.

Informant said that apparently SCARPA did not attend this meeting and [redacted] personally went to see JOSEPH COLOMBO. At this time [redacted] related to COLOMBO what had occurred and that [redacted] desired that SCARPA attend a sit down and that COLOMBO also attend this meeting. COLOMBO allegedly declined this offer stating that "SCARPA speaks for me" and did not require his presence. On the following night a sit down was held at Rafael's Restaurant on Roosevelt Avenue in Corona, which was attended by [redacted] (92-1866)

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[redacted] as well as JOSEPH LUCHESE (92-2753), GREGORY SCARPA and [redacted]

At this sit down, [redacted] expressed astonishment that SCARPA would threaten [redacted] to which SCARPA allegedly related that he had "no idea that [redacted] and assumed [redacted] was "just another sucker". [redacted] was thereafter criticized for not making known to SCARPA on his initial visit that [redacted] was "behind him". At this sit down SCARPA volunteered to pay half of the amount owed which all considered fair except [redacted] who apparently was a large money maker for the LUCHESE family and who was allowed to make the final negative determination. Informant said that SCARPA then related that he was merely trying to help, that he was getting nothing for his efforts and that he would completely divorce himself from the situation and that [redacted] could do as he pleased. At this point the sit down ended amiably all around.

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[redacted]  
[redacted] On the following day, however, [redacted] contacted SCARPA at which time [redacted] confessed he was being overly stubborn and that he now realized that the 50% offer was generous and he would accept it. The gamblers thereafter paid this money directly to [redacted]

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RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

On 8/13/69, informant advised that shortly after COLOMBO had assumed control of the COLOMBO family he had instituted a "family shylock business" in which COLOMBO accepted loans from various members of the family which was then placed in the "kitty". Thereafter portions of this money were shylocked "on the street" and that the profits were then intended to be utilized to subsidize the family of any LCN member who was in prison or who was in desperate financial condition. Informant related that he had heard that FUSCO had volunteered in excess of \$50,000 for this "shylock fund" and was then appointed as the proprietor of the fund. Informant continued that on each Monday night a regular accounting is made of the "fund" position and that this accounting is conducted in the home of FUSCO's son, SALVATORE, and that a Certified Public Accountant is actually used to keep the books. Informant said this information goes back to early 1969 but believes they continue to have weekly conferences using the accountant as above.

MICHAEL SAVINO  
AR  
NY 92-3408

On 8/25/69, the front, namely the exterminating business, utilized by SAVINO in connection with his shylock activities was disbanded and at the present time, MICHAEL SAVINO and FRANKIE "THE BEAST" FLANGA are operating out of Caplan Buick, 86th Street, Brooklyn, NY.

[redacted]  
AR  
NY 92-2681

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On 8/25/69, informant advised [redacted] is again involved in the obscene film business [redacted] and continues to turn over a percentage of the profits to JOE COLOMBO as previously mentioned.

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[REDACTED]  
SEBASTIAN ALOI  
AR  
NY 92-1877

On 9/2/69, informant advised that ALOI has a "crew" who are engaged in hijacking and that [REDACTED] TNU, is in charge of this crew and reports directly to ALOI. Informant said that [REDACTED] recently handled a load of stolen TVs and that he would attempt to determine [REDACTED] "drop".

JOSEPH COLOMBO aka  
AR  
NY 92-1965

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On 9/18/69, informant advised he had learned that [REDACTED] in Brooklyn, NY, is a close associate of COLOMBO, and had been used as a fence for COLOMBO in connection with coins and precious medals. Informant said [REDACTED] enjoys an excellent reputation and is considered as a "nice guy" and is not generally known to except to a limited few as a fence.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New York, New York  
November 1, 1969

CONF. INFT.

NEW YORK SYMBOL NUMBER [REDACTED]  
NEW YORK FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]  
BUREAU FILE NUMBER [REDACTED]

The above individual is a regularly paid top echelon criminal informant of the New York Office. This informant is considered to be emotionally stable and reliable. He has not furnished any information known to be false.

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CLEMENTE-655

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/5/69

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

~~CONF. INFO~~

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

Re Bureau letter, 7/22/69, and New York airtel  
10/6/69, captioned, "JOSEPH ANTHONY COLOMBO, ET AL; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] - VICTIM, AR - HOBBS ACT".

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b7C -2

Informant is considered to be emotionally stable  
and reliable and has not furnished any information known to  
be false.

JOSEPH ANTHONY COLOMBO, ET AL;  
[REDACTED] - VICTIM  
AR - HOBBS ACT  
NY 92-NEW

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It is noted referenced New York airtel contained  
considerable information concerning a pending investigation  
in the New York Office, which originated from informant,  
whereby it appears there is a strong possibility the New York  
Office will be able to prosecute JOSEPH COLOMBO, JR., ROCCO  
MIRAGLIA and JOSEPH IANNACI on a HOBBS ACT violation. Investi-  
gation is continuing in an effort to include JOSEPH COLOMBO  
in this violation. However, since early October, 1969, the  
victim has not been threatened or otherwise forced to make  
payment to [REDACTED]

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b7C -2

Throughout the latter part of September and October,  
1969, almost daily contact was maintained with informant in  
this and other matters and on 10/21/69, informant, acting under  
direction, again spoke to JOSEPH COLOMBO, expressing an interest  
in "moving in" on victim. At this time, COLOMBO advised informant  
that he should not do anything in this regard since there had been  
considerable "heat" in the neighborhood over an unsolved homicide  
and that he should wait before doing anything.

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EX-103

CLEMENTE-656

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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[redacted]

Informant advised, based on his knowledge of COLOMBO, COLOMBO would not allow the victim to beat him out of any substantial sum of money and would probably wait before sending [redacted] back to strong-arm [redacted]

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b7C -2

RICHARD FUSCO  
AR  
NY 92-2671

On 10/9/69, informant identified a photograph of JOSEPH GENTILE aka Joe Lane and advised that although LANE is not a member of LCN, he is nevertheless extremely close to RICHARD FUSCO and ANTHONY LA PONZINA. Informant said LANE, LA PONZINA and FUSCO are partners in a large numbers operation, which also includes horse and sports action, and meet on almost a daily basis concerning their mutual business interests. Informant also related that in the past LANE also handled swag.

JOSEPH COLOMBO  
AR  
NY 92-1965

On 10/14/69, informant related that he had recently had a discussion with COLOMBO concerning the disappearance of FRANKIE MARI and MIKE ADAMO. At that time COLOMBO advised he was very concerned over this matter and was confident that both were dead. COLOMBO went on to advised that he did not believe the BONANNOS had anything to do with this matter and suspected that someone, possibly as close as PAUL SCIACCA, would necessarily have to be involved in order to "set them both up". COLOMBO further advised he had put out a feeler for SCIACCA to contact him and was concerned that SCIACCA had not done so to date.

On 11/3/69, informant advised that COLOMBO had mentioned nothing further to him concerning this matter.

JOSEPH MUTOLI  
AR  
NY 92-

On 10/30/69, informant advised that approximately one week previously MUTOLI had died in bed, probably from a heart attack.

[REDACTED]

Informant stated MUTOLI had formerly been under SIMONE ANDOLINO, who is also deceased.

JOSEPH COLOMBO

AR

NY 92-1965

On 10/30/69, informant related that he recently learned JOE COLOMBO was negotiating to purchase a dry cleaning store located on 13th Avenue between 74th and 75th Streets, which he was going to turn over to his son, ANTHONY COLOMBO. Informant commented it was his belief that this was a legitimate purchase and did not involve shylocking or strong-arm methods.

On 10/30/69, informant advised he had learned that JOE COLOMBO was extremely close to [REDACTED] who is a [REDACTED] and that COLOMBO had been in some way responsible for [REDACTED]. Informant said [REDACTED] has since done "favors" for COLOMBO.

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On 11/3/69, informant stated he anticipated COLOMBO would soon be holding his annual Christmas party and as last year the party would be held for all "caporegimas" and the men directly under JOE at MIKE SAVINO's home.

Informant said COLOMBO would hold another Christmas party for those other members of his "family" at the home of RICHARD FUSCO's son. Informant said this party would probably be held in the finished basement at this location.

Informant was advised to furnish the specific date, if known to him in advance, when the above parties would be held.

[REDACTED]

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On 10/30/69, informant advised that [REDACTED] continue to operate their obscene film business on a large scale. Informant further related that [REDACTED] is also dealing in stolen stocks and bonds.

1/14/70

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To: SAC, New York [redacted]

From: Director, FBI [redacted]

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*CONF. INTT.*

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ReBulet 7/17/69.

Your authority to pay the above captioned source has expired. By return mail forward recommendation with respect to continued payments to this source. In line with previous instructions you should institute the appropriate administrative procedures to make certain future requests are submitted on a timely basis.

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JAN 14 1970  
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Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Bishop \_\_\_\_\_  
Casper \_\_\_\_\_  
Callahan \_\_\_\_\_  
Conrad \_\_\_\_\_  
Felt \_\_\_\_\_  
Gale \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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SAC, New York [redacted]

REC-26

Director, FBI [redacted]

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1-30-70

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1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Row (6221 IB)  
1 - Mr. Gale  
1 - [redacted]  
1 - Mr. Kelly

Reurlet 1-14-70 and airtel 1-27-70.

Approval granted to continue payments to captioned informant on a strictly C.O.D. basis for a six-month period effective 1-5-70. This authority includes monies to pay for services rendered as well as expenses incurred by the informant at the request of your office.

Forward progress letter by 3-5-70 and 5-5-70 containing a concise summary of significant information furnished by the informant. Submit recommendations regarding continued payments two weeks prior to the expiration of this authorization.

Since all payments are on a C.O.D. basis, they must be varied in line with the value of the informant's services. Insure full value is received for all funds disbursed.

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COMM-FBI

NOTE: See memo J. H. Gale to Mr. DeLoach, 1-29-70, re [redacted] JEK:rdn.

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Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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FBI

Date: 1/27/70

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT  
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK [REDACTED]  
 SUBJECT: OCONE INLET  
 [REDACTED]  
 RECIP

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ReBuairtel to NY dated 1/26/70, and NYlet 1/14/70.

The following paragraph was inadvertently omitted from reNYlet.

In view of information being furnished by this informant it is recommended he be continued as a regularly paid informant and receive a maximum of [REDACTED] for information furnished as well as expenses incurred.

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3-Bureau  
 1-New York

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Approved: [Signature]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

CLEMENTE-601

Per [Signature]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 1-29-70

FROM : J. H. Gale

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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## SYNOPSIS:

This is to recommend continued payments to [REDACTED] SAC, New York, requests authority to pay this source [REDACTED] on a strictly C.O.D. basis. [REDACTED] who has been a top echelon informant since 1962, is one of the most effective top echelon informants developed to date. He is an admitted long-time member of the Joe Colombo "family" of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). On a consistent basis, he has provided extremely valuable and sensitive data regarding top level LCN activity. On the basis of his information, a Hobbs Act investigation was initiated regarding Joe Colombo and two of his LCN racket associates. Source identified Joseph Yacovelli as the new consigliere of the Colombo "family." Source determined from Colombo that it was his belief that two members of his "family" <sup>who</sup> disappeared have been murdered.

In addition to furnishing valuable intelligence information, source has also made a significant contribution to substantive investigations. In 1969, his information led to 10 arrests in Theft From Interstate Shipment investigations and the recovery of stolen merchandise by Bureau Agents having a value of \$560,000.

## ACTION:

Since this source has established that he can make available extremely valuable information, it is recommended the attached letter be approved authorizing the New York office to continue payments to the informant [REDACTED] on a C.O.D. basis.

Enc. sent 1-30-70-117, REC 85  
1 - Mr. DeLoach 1 [REDACTED]  
1 - Mr. Row (6221 IB) 1 - Mr. Kelly  
1 - Mr. Gale

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DETAILS - OVER

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FEB 3 1970

Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

Re: [REDACTED]

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DETAILS:

SAC, New York, requests authority to continue payments to [REDACTED] on a C.O.D. basis.

The informant is one of the most valuable sources developed to date in the organized crime field. He has been a top echelon informant since March, 1962.

This source is a long-time member of LCN and is affiliated with the Joe Colombo "family." His arrest record dates back to 1950 and includes charges of possession of stolen goods from interstate shipment. As a result of his membership in LCN, he was one of the first Bureau sources to furnish precise information with respect to the structure and membership of LCN. He has identified in excess of 200 members of LCN in the New York - New Jersey area.

Informant has a very close relationship with Joe Colombo, a member of the Commission. Through this association, he has been able to provide extremely valuable intelligence data regarding LCN activity on a continuous basis.

In the recent past, the New York office has initiated a Hobbs Act investigation regarding Joseph Colombo and two of his LCN hoodlum associates. This matter is being closely followed by the New York office. Informant's information predicated this inquiry.

Source also reported that Joseph Yacovelli had taken over as a consiglieri in the Colombo "family" replacing Benedetto D'Alessandro. Source furnished information concerning meetings of the Colombo group in which Colombo advised the membership of Yacovelli's new assignment.

Source also determined on a confidential basis from Colombo that he was extremely concerned over the disappearance of two members of his "family," Salvatore D'Ambrosio and Fred DeLuccia. According to

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Memorandum to Mr. DeLoach

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Re:

the informant, Colombo expressed the opinion that both had been killed and their bodies buried. Source noted that it is believed that D'Ambrosio and DeLuccia were responsible for "hits" on Frankie Mari and Mike Adamo and, therefore, the disappearance of D'Ambrosio and DeLuccia is retaliatory.

This source, in addition to furnishing highly valuable and sensitive intelligence information, has made a significant contribution to substantive investigations. For example, during 1969, his information led to FBI arrests of 10 individuals on Interstate Theft From Interstate Shipment charges and the recovery of stolen merchandise valued at \$560,000,